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DEAKE AND HIS MEN, THOSE HEROES OF OLD
LEFT PLYMOUTH TO PLUNDER THE SPANIARDS' GOLD
IN GALLEONS THE SPIRIT OF ENGLAND SET SAIL
T' WAS GLORY TO DIE AND DISGRACE TO TURN TAIL.

THE 'SPIRIT' OF ENGLAND LEAVES PLYMOUTH TO-DAY
IN GALLEONS NOT GALLEONS THOUGH WE CAN SAY
THAT THE SPIRIT'S AS NOBLE AND 'SALES' DAILY SOAR
AS HIGH AS THE 'SALES' OF THOSE PROUD MEN O' WAR.

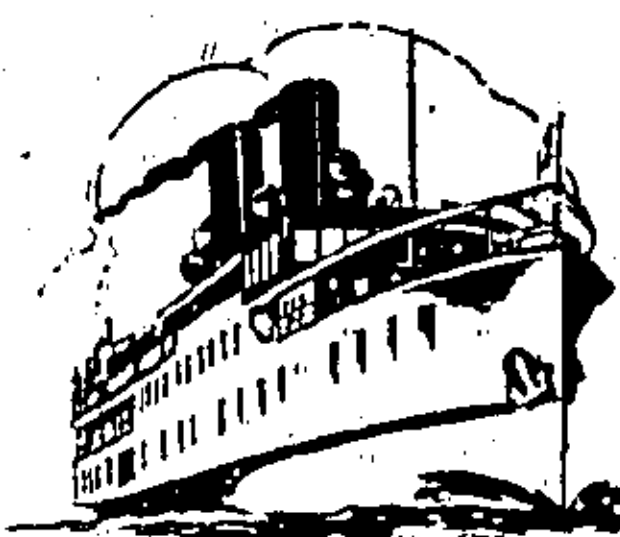
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Hector: Cut About Town
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Optician—"How many lines can
you read on that chart?"
Patient—"What chart?"

"Dad, what is political art?"
"That, my son, is the art of not
getting your views mixed in with
your interviewers."

Airman (after landing in a
tree): "I was trying to make a
record."
Farmer: "You d.d. You're the
first man to climb down the tree
before climbing up it."

"Prisoner, you are found 'not
guilty' and are discharged."
"But I've been kept in custody
for a fortnight. Does that entitle
me to commit a small crime free
of charge?"

"Yes, the missile struck my
head," said Albert, "and then went
careening into space."
"Hm-m!" replied friend Alice.
"Did they get it out?"

Some noisy relatives were visit-
ing a couple, and happened to
mention their dog, a big mongrel.
"He's just like one of the
family," said the pup's proud mis-
tress.

"Which one?" asked the hostess.

A lecturer in economy had just
come to an end. The chairman,
who had been much impressed,
proposing a vote of thanks.
"And now," he finished, "I am
going to ask you to give the
speaker two hearty cheers!"

The sales manager's wife had
called at the office, to be told that
he was in conference.

"Were you terribly bored while
waiting for me, dear?" he asked
when he returned.

"No, darling," she replied. "I
amused myself with those ducky
little coloured pins in that map on
the wall. I changed them around
and made them look much pret-
tier."

Only a cup of tea! In my mind's
eye I can see the kettle boiling
briskly and a cheerful fire aglow.
Here are muffs, piping hot—let
me just refill the pot—and we'll
have a cosy gossip 'bout the peo-
ple that we know.

SANCTIONS COMMITTEE DECISIONS

(Hong Kong Daily Press Special)

Geneva, Apr. 21.
Following the League council's
example, the Sanctions Committee
of Eighteen which originally has
been scheduled to meet on Thurs-
day to review the situation, has
decided on letting the matter
stand over for the time being.
The Chairman Vasconcellos has
addressed a letter to the members
in which he states that after a
careful examination of the present
political situation and after con-
sulting with those members of the
committee at present staying in
Geneva, he had come to the con-
clusion that the present time is not
suitable for the meeting and that
he therefore proposes to convene
the committee at a date not far
removed from the next League
Council meeting, unless an earlier
date should be suggested or de-
clared necessary by himself. At the
same time Vasconcellos calls the
committee's attention to the fact
that according to the latest avail-
able figures of Italy's foreign
trade, the effect of the application
of the sanction is becoming more
and more palpable. Thus Italy's
imports for February of the pre-
sent year amounted to only 5.5
billion gold dollars as compared
with 14.2 billion in February last
year while her exports decreased
from 20.2 to 10 billion for the
same period.

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Local Exchange Quotations

T.T. ON LONDON:
1/34 (nom.)

T.T. ON NEW YORK:
32.3/16

BLACK FOREST TRAGEDY

German Respects To British Victims

(Hong Kong Daily Press Special)

Berlin, April 21.
A moving last farewell to the
mortal remains of the five English
schoolboys who perished in the
Black Forest in a snowstorm last
week was made by the population
of the town of Freiburg on Tues-
day.

Crowds numbering several thou-
sands gathered at the cemetery
where a guard of honour was
drawn up from the local Hitler
Youth Organisation who had kept
watch over the coffins night and
day ever since their arrival.

In the course of a short address
delivered during the funeral ser-
vice the English clergyman who
officiated said: "I wish to express
on behalf of the British colony of
Freiburg and the bereaved par-
ents our deepest gratitude for the
sincere sympathy which the whole
German nation has shown in this
tragedy."

In depositing a wreath, the
local national socialist leader
Schulze said: "In the name of
the national youth leader and the
youths of the German nation, I
greet you dead English comrades.
The German youths bow in deep
sympathy before the grief of your
parents and relatives and extend
expression of its respect and sym-
pathy to the youths of the British
nation."

The funeral procession through
the streets was lined with thou-
sands of school children and mem-
bers of Hitler's Youths to the rail-
way station where two special
coaches for the conveyance of the
coffins and for the relatives were
drawn up. Twenty Hitler Youths
and boys accompanied the English
school boys survivors in the train
as far as the Dutch frontier.

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ROMAN DAY OF REJOICING

(Hong Kong Daily Press Special)

Rome, Apr. 21.
"To-day an Empire comes into
existence, to-day and on this spot
a new chapter in history com-
mences," writes the "Popolo di
Roma" in an article celebrating
the 2899th anniversary of the
foundation of the city of Rome on
Tuesday in honour of which the
capital was gay with bunting.
Birthdays, festivities began with
"the festival of labour" which is
observed annually on this day in
order to mark a factor of impor-
tance attached by the Fascist re-
gime to labour as a factor in the
system.

Signor Mussolini, after receiving
reports of the various labour syn-
dicates opened the new Institute of
Radiology and later addressed
from the balcony of "Palazzo Vene-
zia" a large crowd which en-
thusiastically cheered his declara-
tion "after a stormy journey we
have now arrived in sight of port."

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U.S. PRESIDENT TO VISIT CANADA

Ottawa, Apr. 22.
President Roosevelt has pro-
visionally accepted an invitation to
visit Canada as a guest of the
Governor-General, Lord Tweede-
muir, probably during the summer.

Reuter.

DIARY OF LOCAL

THURSDAY, APRIL 23.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—
St. George M. Patron of England.
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Cinema

King's:—"Last Of The Pagans."
Queen's:—"Captain Blood."
Central:—"Gold-Diggers Of 1935."
Oriental:—"Front Page Woman."
World:—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra:—"Annie Oakley."
Majestic:—"Cardinal Richelieu."
Star:—"Smart Girl."

Entertainments.—Military Band
Concert on Hongkong Cricket Club
ground

Lectures.—Dr. I. Newton, "In
School of Surgery, University, 6
p.m.; Mr. H. C. Macnamara, on
"French Law and Lawyers" at
University, 8.30 p.m.

Meetings.—Victoria Chess Club,
5.30 p.m.; Theosophical Society, 6
p.m.; Toc H. Fortnightly Meeting
at Kaiming Building, 8.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—Claims against
the Estate of John McArthur due.

Social.—"Busy Bees" Farewell
Party to Lady Southern, at Cathed-
ral Hall, 4 p.m.; Matched Church
Whist Drive, 7.30 p.m.; St. An-
drew's Club "Closing" Social, 9
p.m.; Tombola on board H.M.S.
Tamar, 7.15 p.m.; Civil Service
Cricket Club Whist Drive, 9 p.m.;
Cheero Club Bridge and Mah Jong
Drive, 8 p.m.; St. Andrew's Wo-
men's Fellowship Birthday Tea, 3
p.m.

Sports

Racing.—Entries Close for Fourth
Extra Race Meeting, noon.

Moon.—III Int'l. Moon, 3rd Day.
Sunrise.—5.57 a.m.; Sunset.—6.47
p.m.

Tides.—High at 9.55 and 23.45;
Low at 3.39 and 16.57.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

Anniversaries and Holidays.—
St. Fideles of Sigmaringen, M.
Auctions.—Crown Lands, at Dis-
trict Office, South, 11 a.m.

Cinema

King's:—"Last Of The Pagans."
Queen's:—"Captain Blood."
World:—"Chinese Picture."
Alhambra:—"Annie Oakley."
Majestic:—"Shipmates Forever."
Star:—"Smart Girl."

Dances.—Annual Dinner at Hong
Kong Hotel, in aid of St. John An-
bulance Assn. and Brigade.

Entertainments.—Concert in aid
of H.K. Union Church Funds, 9.15
p.m., in Church Hall.

Lectures.—Dr. J. A. R. Selby, in
School of Surgery, University, 6
p.m.; Rev. Mackenzie Dow on
"Martin Luther," at Helena May
Christian Fellowship Meetings, 10.30
a.m.

Meetings.—Kowloon Chess Club,
5.30 p.m.

Sports

Athletics.—Wah Yan College,
First Annual Athletic Sports, Kow-
loon Football Club Ground, 1.30
p.m.

Moon.—III Int'l. Moon, 4th Day.
Sunrise.—5.53 a.m.; Sunset.—6.46
p.m.

Tides.—High at 9.17 and 22.50;
Low at 3.08 and 16.10.

GERMAN AIR FORCE CELEBRATION

(Hong Kong Daily Press Special)

Berlin, April 12.
The Second Annual "Day of the
German Air Force" which is in
honour of the famous war ace, Von
Richthofen and is observed on the
latter's birthday on April 21, was
celebrated on Tuesday in all Air
Force Stations throughout Ger-
many. The Commander-in-Chief
of the German Air Force, General
Goering, presented flags to the
various units at Gatow Air Force
Base near Berlin where 4,000 men
paraded. Subalterns from two air
forces in training schools took the
oath of loyalty.

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German flying heroes of the
Great War including Immelmann,
Boelcke and von Richthofen.

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CHINA COAST SMUGGLING

"BIG INCREASE," SAYS CAPT. KIRBY

Allegations At Steamboat Co. Meeting

Allegations that smuggling on China Coast vessels was increasing were made by Capt. W. E. Kirby at the annual meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company Ltd. yesterday.

Capt. Kirby also mentioned the extent of bribery and corruption in connection with smuggling and expressed the hope that the Directors would do all they could to intensify preventive measures.

POSITION OF FLOATING STAFF

Seconding the adoption of the report and statement of accounts. Capt. Kirby said:—

It is a matter for satisfaction to note that reference is made in the directors' report to an aspect which undoubtedly has a very serious effect on the Company's revenue, that of smuggling dutiable goods and also the carriage of surreptitious cargo.

In common with other Companies on the China coast and rivers the annual debit arising from this form of illegal trading must be enormous as a combined total in a year, but I am sorry to suggest that, as one not exactly in ignorance of a little of what is going on behind the scenes, this nefarious business, if it can so be described, is, despite the best intention and endeavours, very much on the increase.

The commodities dealt in range from packets of salt and sugar to even human beings.

We have read and heard in recent times, much use of the terms bribery and corruption, but I venture to submit that nowhere more than in this smuggling racket, with its most extensive ramifications, are those terms more deserving of application.

DIFFICULTIES APPRECIATED

With you we have a fair idea where a big share of responsibility lies and I feel it is hardly necessary to assure you that the difficulties of the Company in this respect are fully appreciated. At the same time I believe you will concur in my contention that while efforts by the floating staff to minimise this nefarious practice are unremitting, their position is none the less difficult and invidious with the metaphorical gun of extremism pointed continually at them by those behind the smugglers.

Diplomatic pourparlers may be polite and deriving of advantage in dealing with individuals and bodies of understanding and good will, but such would appear to be wasted when the only response of those so approached is the non-slackening of endeavours to accumulate further illicit gain.

If then it is at all possible to tighten up and intensify preventive measures in this respect I am content to believe that such will, in the mutual interest of all, have the careful consideration of the directors.

Mr. M. K. Lo (chairman) thanked Capt. Kirby for his appreciation of the serious difficulties with which the Company had to contend and declared that smuggling was a question that was exercising the minds of the Directors continually. He assured the shareholders that everything would be done in the way of preventive measures.

Capt. Kirby—And the floating staff will carry on in the same spirit.

ADVERSE BALANCE

Mr. Lo said:—The directors regret that the result of the working for the year ended December 31, again shows an adverse balance. The net loss for the year is \$187,017.02 which, together with the debit balance of \$310,485.98 brought forward from the 1934 account, brings the total to \$497,502.98 at debit of the pro-

fit and loss account. The directors recommend that this amount be carried forward to a new account.

When addressing you last year the Chairman commented upon the unsatisfactory position of the river trade, and I am sorry to say that conditions have shown no sign of improvement.

The general trading conditions were such as to render inevitable the disappointing result of the year's working, and I may say that but for the rigid economy maintained, I would have had to report even worse results during the period under review.

The position as regards freight continued to be a source of keen anxiety to your directors. That the trading conditions obtaining on the river are chiefly responsible for the loss in revenue in this respect is shown by the fact that the Canton freight pool agreement was in operation during 1935, and that there was no serious freight competition.

As regards the passenger traffic, the returns were more satisfactory, and the outlook is hopeful. The withdrawal of the surplus tonnage on the river during a part of the year, especially in the Macao Line, contributed in no small measure to the little improvement recorded.

KINSHAN SECURED

In June, 1935, the Company acquired from Messrs. Butterfield and Swire their interest in the Kinshan, and the transfer of this steamer to the Macao Line has shown favourable results. Whilst freight has not improved, passage money returns would seem to justify your directors' decision to improve this run by the operation of a faster steamer.

The instability of exchange during 1935 and the high customs tariff continued to handicap both import and export business. As a consequence, smuggling was rife, with the result that goods which otherwise would have been transported by legitimate means were smuggled into Canton.

Despite the serious difficulties met with during the year, the working account shows an increase of about \$30,771.97 and your directors hope that company's affairs will show marked improvement for the current year.

Your Directors have given close and careful attention to the economic running of your steamers. Steamers' disbursements, compared with the 1934 figures, show an appreciable decrease, but repairs are up \$11,219.20 due to the extensive overhaul of two of Company's best steamers, the Taisan and Lungshan.

The amount of \$48,648.47 that it is proposed should be written off the value of your steamers is the usual five per cent. of their book value.

Investment fluctuation account shows a reduction during the year of \$39,423.10 which represents the amount of depreciation in the market value of shares held by your company as investment. Last year your directors were again obliged to sell certain shares to meet the heavy overdraft with our bankers.

The Canton pool agreement, which has been in operation since 1933, has been renewed.

RAILWAY AGREEMENT

Your directors are pleased to report that, thanks to the co-operation of the railway adminis-

tration, the river steamers are now able to overcome the uneconomic passage rates obtaining before the understanding with the Railway was reached. And I would like to record the directors' keen appreciation of the courtesy and the spirit of co-operation shown by the railway administration. As your Chairman remarked at this time last year, there was a surplus of tonnage in the river, and with the diminished volume of trade found generally, keen competition developed.

In the Macao Line passage rates were lowered last December in compliance with an agreement with the Inspector of Economic Services of Macao. Your directors consider the arrangement satisfactory.

An application for the registration of the company's properties in Canton was sent in last August following a requirement by the Chinese Authorities that the 'step had to be taken by all foreign property owners. And as you will have seen from the balance sheet before you, the registration fees paid have been capitalized. The matter has been unfortunately delayed by the Chinese Authorities.

Concerning the company's Canton wharves you will notice a debit of \$19,211.66 in the profit and loss account for special wharf expenses. The sum represents rental due in arrears to the Canton authorities for the two wharves. As you are aware, the leases for the wharf sites are held in perpetuity by the Company, but the Canton Government claimed that under Chinese law, the Canton Government had the right to revise the rent in view of the changed conditions. Protracted negotiations were commenced as long ago as August, 1930, and were concluded only in December, 1935. I would like to record the directors' thanks to Mr. T. F. Lo for his services in bringing the negotiations to a conclusion acceptable to the directors in all the circumstances.

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ECONOMY DISHES

Maybe you prefer lamb chops, but the forequarters which consist of the front legs and shoulders are tasty, satisfactory and economical. The forequarter meat is naturally tougher than that of the hind-quarter, and in tough meats the connective tissue is the part that must receive special attention. The cut is to be palatable and tender when it comes to the table.

By separating the meat, bone and fat, each one can be used to advantage. The meat can be put through the food chopper ready to make into attractive chopped steaks. The bone may be used for delicious broths, and the fat can be chopped and tried out for frying—pan-frying, of course.

Variety in dishes made with the forequarter of lamb often may be had by using suitable sauces and accompaniments, such as rice and spaghetti.

The small family will find two pounds of lamb from the forequarter sufficient for its needs. The larger family, of course, will need more in proportion to its size.

SUGGESTION FOR PREPARATION

When the meat is left in one piece it can be boiled, roasted, braised with vegetables or cooked and pressed and served cold.

Cut in pieces, Irish stew, mince-see of lamb, casserole of lamb and lamb curry are sure to please.

Or when the meat and bone are separated before cooking, several pleasing dishes can be concocted. The pieces of clear meat can be pounded thin—Frenched. These are broiled and served with currant jelly. Instead of flattening the filets, each can be wrapped with a strip of bacon, held with a wooden toothpick and broiled or baked in a hot oven.

If the meat is chopped, it can be made into cakes like Hamburg steaks and broiled or fried.

The bone is very good boiled to make broth or stock. If the meat, with vegetables and rice, is added to this broth, a nourishing dish known as Scotch broth is made.

A delectable meat loaf is made with chopped lamb combined with cracker crumbs, milk and eggs. Serve with creamed peas. It vies with lamb chops for popularity.

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LAMB EN CASSEROLE

1 1/2 cups cooked macaroni
4 tablespoons flour
1/3 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon paprika
2 tablespoons chopped onion
2 tablespoons chopped celery
1 tablespoon chopped parsley
1 cup cooked lamb, diced
1 cup milk
2 tablespoons butter
Blend flour and seasonings with macaroni, add rest of ingredients and pour into buttered casserole. Cover and bake 30 minutes in moderate oven. Uncover and bake 10 minutes to brown top.

LIVER AND POTATOES

2 3 pound sliced liver
3 cups sliced potatoes
3 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon pepper
2 tablespoons butter
1 tablespoon chopped onion
1 tablespoon chopped celery
1 cup milk
Soak liver 5 minutes in cold water. Wipe and sprinkle with part of flour place in buttered baking dish. Add rest of ingredients. Cover and bake 35 minutes in moderate oven. Uncover and bake 15 minutes to brown the top. Serve in baking dish.

Inexpensive meat is quite as great as that of the choicer, more expensive cuts, it seems well worth while to study ways to use it. The flavour is just as delicious in the shoulder as in the leg.

FRICASSEE OF LAMB

Three pounds shoulder of lamb, salt, pepper, flour, minced parsley, 2 cups gravy (made with stock in which lamb was cooked).

Cut meat in pieces suitable for serving. Put in kettle, cover with boiling water and simmer until tender. It's a good idea to cook the lamb the day before you want to serve it. Remove meat from stock. Cool. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and roll in flour. Brown quickly on all sides in fat in a hot frying pan. Arrange on a platter and pour the sauce over the meat. Garnish with minced parsley and triangles of toast. These toast points are all sippets and it does sound inviting, doesn't it?

CHICKEN EN CASSEROLE

Grate half a carrot, turnip, and onion, and cook for fifteen minutes in a little butter and stock. Put half the vegetables in the casserole, then a portion of uncooked chicken on top, then the rest of the vegetables. Cover the whole with a rasher of bacon, and fill up with well-flavoured stock. Simmer gently for an hour, or until the chicken is tender.

SALMON AND CAPER SAUCE

2 slice salmon
1 pound butter
1 teaspoon chopped parsley
1 shallot
Salt, pepper and nutmeg to taste

Lay the salmon in a baking dish, place pieces of butter over it and add the other ingredients rubbing a little of the seasoning into the fish. Bake. When done remove from fire and drain. Lay in a dish and pour caper sauce over it.

SHORT-CUT FUDGE

3 squares unsweetened chocolate
1 1/2 cups condensed milk
1 1/2 tablespoons butter
1 tablespoon vanilla
2 cups confectioner's sugar
1 cup chopped peanuts
1 cup chopped, pitted dates
Melt chocolate in double boiler. Add condensed milk and stir over boiling water five minutes, until mixture thickens. Remove from fire, add butter and vanilla. Sift confectioner's sugar. This will measure approximately 2-1/3 cups after sifting. Work into chocolate mixture. Fold in chopped dates and nuts.

Scrap mixture into average-sized buttered fudge pan, smoothing out.

COCONUT WAFFLES

1 cup flour
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
3 eggs, separated
1 cup evaporated milk diluted with cup water
3 tablespoons melted butter
3 cup shredded coconut
Sift dry ingredients. Beat egg yolks and milk and butter. Combine ingredients and fold in stiffly-beaten egg whites. Bake in hot waffle iron. Drained crushed pineapple, chopped ham, diced bacon, or cheese may be used in place of the coconut.

MUFFIN VARIATIONS

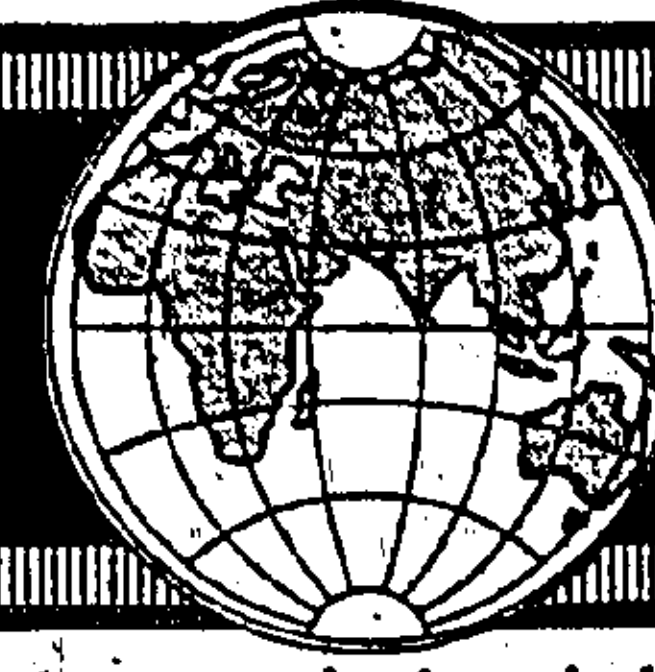
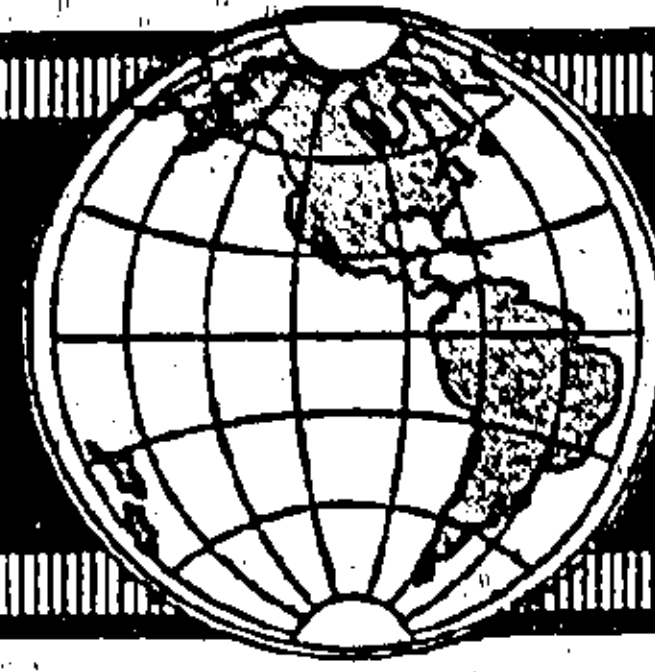
Using pineapple muffin recipe as a foundation, try adding dried prunes, chopped nuts, crisp bacon or puffed raisins for a change.

A PARTY SWEET

Prepare four ounces of fine bread-crumbs, mix with a tablespoonful of melted butter and add the grated rind of a lemon and two tablespoonful of castor sugar. Whisk the yolks of three eggs, add to the mixture, and very slowly stir in a pint of milk. Leave for an hour, then turn into a buttered dish and bake slowly until light brown. Whip the egg whites until quite stiff, adding a little castor sugar. When the pudding is cooked, take from the oven, spread with a good layer of strawberry jam, then a layer of stewed apples suitably sweetened, finally pile the meringue on top. Return to the oven and bake until the meringue is a very pale and delicate brown. Serve the pudding with thick cream.

Place in refrigerator until thoroughly chilled. Cut into square for serving.

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CANTON LEASES

The long leases held by the owners of the two hotels built on Company's properties at Canton expired last July, and your Directors have decided on shorter leases, but on the same terms and conditions. The present leases expire next June.

Mr. R. K. Batchelor resigned from the Board of Directors in January, 1935, and, as announced by the Chairman last year, Mr. H. Staples Smith was invited to fill the vacancy.

Mr. H. da Luz, the Company's Secretary, having acted in that capacity since 1933, was promoted to the substantive post in April, 1935.

Mr. A. Robertson, engineer, and Mr. J. M. Figueiredo, purser, retired during the period under review, after long periods of service—in the case of the former, 33 years, and in the case of the latter, 32 years.

DIRECTORS RE-APPOINTED

On the motion of Mr. Hung Tze-ye, seconded by Capt. A. H. Lake, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. M. K. Lo were re-appointed directors.

Messrs. Linstead and Davis and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-appointed auditors at a salary of \$1,000 a year each on the proposition of Mr. S. C. Sun, seconded by Mr. T. F. Lo.

At the conclusion of the meeting Capt. Kirby moved a vote of thanks to the Chairman, seconded by Mr. M. Fernandez.

Those present were:—Messrs. M. K. Lo (Chairman), Li Tse-fong, C. A. da Rosa, J. P. Braga, H. Staples Smith and Mr. T. F. Lo (directors), Mr. H. A. da Luz (secretary) and Messrs. M. Fernandez, Hung Tze-ye, S. C. Sun, Y. K. Kwan, Capt. W. E. Kirby and Capt. A. H. Lake (shareholders).

PERRY AND HIS BRIDE

London, April 6.

Fred Perry and his bride, at Cannes for the tennis recently, met Lily Pons, the prima donna, at a Monte Carlo party.

They got on very well together, and agreed to meet again as soon as it could be arranged.

"But you've made me miserable," said Lily Pons to Perry. She wouldn't explain why.

Later on she was prevailed upon to say a few words to the party about Hollywood.

"Until to-day," she told the

TRAINING GALLOPS

The following training times were clocked at the Valley on Tuesday morning:—

	Dis- tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	5th Qr.	Last Qr.
Laughing Girl	1 1/4	46.4	1.24.3	2.00.2	2.32.2	3.02.2	30
Mayflower	1	39.1	1.15	1.47	2.18.2		31.2
Ribble	1	37	1.12.4	1.46.4	2.18.2		29.3
Royal Consort	1	37.1	1.16	1.50.1	2.22		31.4
Gold Picker	1	42.4	1.20.3	1.55.1	2.28.4		33.3
Australian Boy	1	45.3	1.28	2.04.4	2.34.3		29.4
Honeymoon Eve and Macaroni	1	43	1.21.2	1.55	2.24		29
Stopwatch and Hopscotch	1 1/4	39	1.18	1.53.1	2.25.3	2.57	31.2
High Speed and Gold Coin	1	36.2	1.15	1.53	2.21.4		28.4
Popular Star	1	38	1.12.2	1.42.3			30.1
Perfect Day	1	34	1.04.2	1.31.2			27
King's Fancy	1	41.4	1.32.2	2.10.1	2.44		33.4
Royal Scot	1 1/4	44	1.22.3	1.58.4	2.32.3	3.02	29.2
Phylander	1	44.2	1.28.1	2.04.4	2.37.1		32.2
Rose Queen	1	39.2	1.17.4	1.54.4	2.25.3		30.4
Estray	1	42.4	1.25.4	2.04.1	2.35.4		31.3
Ranger	1	45	1.23	1.57	2.28		31
Rousseau and Sylvandale	1	45.3	1.23.1	1.55.4	2.28.3		30.4
Supercharge	1	45	1.24.2	2.02.3	2.36.3		34
Rose Evelyn	1	40	1.18.3	1.53.3			35
King's Warden and King's Sceptre	1	38.3	1.13.3	1.44.3	2.15.2		30.4
Sadko	1	42.1	1.19	1.50.1			31.1
Bobniak Star	1	45	1.27	2.05.4	2.38.2		33.3
Merry Jester	1	37.4	1.14.1	1.48.4	2.19.1		31
Foxbridge	1	38	1.09	1.41	2.14		33
Pride of Tsingtao	1	40	1.19	1.57.2	2.33.3		34.1
Tiny Star	1	48.2	1.34.3	2.13.2	2.50		36.3
Donovan	1	40	1.16.2	1.51.3	2.23.1		31.3
Wadebridge	1	39	1.15.2	1.50	2.21		31
King's Lead	1	40.4	1.17.2	1.53	2.24.4		31.4
Heriot	1	45.1	1.27.3	2.07.1	2.39.3		32.2
Boat Bay and Ythan	1	38	1.13.3	1.47.2	2.18.3		31.1
Miracle	1	37	1.09.2	1.40.1			30.4
Valorous	1	37.2	1.11.2	1.43.1			31.4
Centre Court	1	36	1.08.4	1.37.4			29
Double Finesse and Tinsmith	1	27.3	57.3	1.24.1	1.55.1		31
Celebration Time	1	39	1.14.2	1.45.4			31.2
Great Hall	1	30.4	1.02.4	1.35.2			32.3
Belmont Star	1	38.2	1.16	1.52.3	2.25.4		33.1
Balloes and Blue Ribbon	1	37.2	1.13.3	1.47	2.19.2		32.2
Laughing Buddha and Tillicum	1	41.4	1.19.1	1.51			31.4
Mersey and Humber	1	40.1	1.18.2	1.54	2.25.4		31.4
King's Justice	1	44	1.25	2.07	2.41.3	3.10.4	29.1
Paymaster and Strathalan	1	39.3	1.16	1.49.4	2.22.1		32.2
Unicorn	1	40.3	1.17.4	1.52.1	2.25.1		33
Royal Highness	1	43.1	1.24.1	2.02.1	2.35		32.4
Shamrock, High Honour and Gold Sovereign	1	45.2	1.24.4	2.00.1	2.30.4		30.3
Dawn Star and Rugby Star	1	39.2	1.18.3	1.52.2	2.23.1		30.4
Fidelity and Judea	1	46.1	1.24	1.59.4	2.32.1		32.2
Emergency Call	1	41.1	1.15.4	1.50.4	2.22.2		31.2
King's Jubilee	1	42	1.21	1.58.2	2.23.2		32
King's Bounty	1	34	1.10.1	1.44	2.15		31
Victoria Hall	1	41	1.20.1	1.57.2	2.27.3		30.1

whole company. "I've always said that love and a career don't go together. I've always concentrated on the career. To-day, for the first time, I wonder."

Fred Perry hadn't realised, how happy he and his wife were looking. Now, he knows how Pons pays compliments.

GERMANY'S CASE

At The League Council

Berlin, March.

In political quarters it is assumed that Herr von Ribbentrop's purpose in London will be to try to ensure that the German positive proposals for a new Rhineland pact shall be brought under discussion, so that productive negotiations upon them by the Powers can be started as soon as possible. In other words, he will apply his energies to obtaining a "political" settlement.

It is expected that in the speech Herr von Ribbentrop will make before the Council all emphasis will be laid upon Herr Hitler's peace proposals, the air pact, and the possibility of a common limitation of armaments by joint action among the Powers. The French juridical arguments upon the breaches of the Locarno and Versailles Treaties, which are accepted by the other Locarno Powers, will it is assumed, be replied to by the German broad assertion that Locarno was rendered void by the Franco-Russian Pact.

As to the remilitarisation of the Rhineland which accompanied the German conclusion, Herr von Ribbentrop is expected to declare that this is an elementary prerogative of German sovereignty, that it is for the German Government to decide upon the measures of self-defence which she finds necessary for her frontiers, and that German defence measures are matters upon which no foreign or international court can be allowed to judge.

The contradiction between the French and German attitudes which would follow from this line of argument is almost complete. Whether in the event of an avenue being reached for negotiations upon the German proposals for the future organisation of peace there is room for a reconciliation of the German and French views is un-

PROCLAIMING THE DATE OF THE CORONATION

London, April 7.

Heralds and Pursuivants in their coloured tabards will proclaim the Coronation date in London next month. By traditional usage, the date must be proclaimed a year before the actual ceremony.

The Duke of Norfolk, who as Earl Marshal is chief of the College of Arms, has ordered the documents to be prepared, but his officials are still waiting to fill in the date, which they have not yet received from the Privy Council. Trumpets will sound thrice at Friary Court, St. James's Palace, at Charing Cross, at Chancery Lane, and at the Royal Exchange, when, in turn, Garter King of Arms, Lancaster Herald, Norroy King of Arms, and Clarenceux King of Arms will read the proclamation.

It is probable that the date will be announced in the House of Commons by the Prime Minister on the same day as the proclamation.

certain. That the British compromise proposals for demilitarised zones on both the French and German frontiers under League supervision provides the germ of a common promise (even from the German point of view alone) seems unlikely, unless Herr von Ribbentrop has left with a mandate from Herr Hitler differing considerably from the speeches he and the Nazi Ministers are making upon German insistence on full sovereignty within her own frontiers.

But since Germany sets so much store by England's rôle as mediator, and as the unexpectedly dramatic essence of German tactics, the possibility that Herr von Ribbentrop has a far-reaching mandate, or might receive one in the future in the event of favourable developments, should not be excluded.

PROGRESS IN ENGINEERING

The Influence Of The Large Liner

London. During last month the value of the exports of machinery and millwork reached a total of just on 3 1/2 million pounds and showed an increase over the figure for the corresponding month of the previous year of 12 per cent.

In the great power stations of the world there is to be seen plant made by such famous firms as the Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Co., Ltd., or the British Thomson-Houston Co., while a familiar sight is a batch of drums of B.I. cables.

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Another side of engineering that has been rendering valuable service in many over-seas countries is that concerned with the utilisation of water power, while there has been a great extension of the use of pumps, not only for dealing with water but also for handling sludge, sand, slime.

To overcome the difficulties which arise when abrasives are contained in the materials to be pumped, it is now usual to find the impeller of the pump covered with a rubber lining which effectually protects the metal and enables the pump to render long service without wearing out the working parts.

Then, too, there is the development of the oil engine in a really wide range of powers, as one can see in the productions of Petters, Ltd., who make engines ranging from those suitable for driving self-contained electric light sets to those suitable for powering ships or providing power in large manufacturing establishments.

In addition to the diesel type engines, there are Petter engines of many sizes using petrol or paraffin as fuel.

Wherever the visitor went in the British Industries Fair, in the two sections in London or the one at Birmingham, before long he was certain to find some reference to the great super-liner Queen Mary.

At one point it might be the number of planes supplied, at another it would be a selection of the glassware, at another some of the textile furnishings, and so it went on, every new revelation serving to show the immensity of the vessel and the number of industries that have had a part in the building or furnishing of it.

The visit of the King to see this famous ship the other day has served to intensify the interest in her and all who are concerned at all with any of the industries of the Home Country are eagerly awaiting the time when she starts on her maiden voyage.

It is not altogether for the splendour of the ship herself but for all she stands for, a symbol of the achievement that is characteristic of the old and new British industries.

London. The eyes of the whole world will follow the movements of the great super-liner and it will serve to remind people in every part of the world that British factories are ready to supply all the plant, equipment and materials they may require.

That applies equally to those places where pioneering work is in progress just as much as to those, which are abreast of the times as regards power, light, water, sanitation, communications, and so forth.

In so many quarters of the globe great machines of British manufacture are carrying on their work or new machinery is being installed, as these columns have borne witness from time to time.

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TO-DAY'S RADIO PROGRAMMES

Broadcast by Z.B.W. On 355 Metres

12.30 to 2.15 p.m.—European recorded programme.
12.30 p.m.—Dance music.
1 p.m.—Local time signal and weather report.
1.30 p.m.—Les Allen (Baritone) and Sydney Torch (Organ).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins. Rugby Press news, local weather forecast, time and announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Harry Lauder Medley sung by the Scottish Male Voice Singers.
1.50 p.m.—The New Mayfair Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN
5 to 6 p.m.—European programme.
5 to 6 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra.
6 p.m.—CHILDREN'S STUDIO CONCERT
6.30 p.m.—Dance music.
7 p.m.—

A Concert
Songs—Phyllis has such charming graces (arr. Lane Wilson) Do not go, my love (Hagemann). — Tudor Davies (Tenor)
Violin Solos—Kuruka Kuruka (Yamada).
Improvisation on a Japanese Tune (Zimballist). — Efrim Zimballist.
Songs—Twilight (Hamilton). My little nest of heavenly blue (Lehar). — Maria Jeriza.
Violin Solos — The Zephyr (Hubay).
After Sundown (Scott). — Efrim Zimballist.
Song—O Mistress fond and fair—"Casanova" (J. Strauss). — Arthur Fear (Baritone).
7.30 p.m.—
The Russian Vagabonds
An Old Waltz; A Storm. The Gate Festival Dance. Sleep my baby; Moscow.
7.40 p.m.—

From the Studio
A Jazz Piano Recital by Sopronio Falles.

PROGRAMME
1. Meditation—Lee Sims.
2. My Buddy—Donaldson.
3. Chatter—Lee Sims.
4. In the shade of the old apple tree—Williams.
8 p.m.—Local time signal, weather report, stock quotations and announcements.
8.05 p.m.—Chinese studio concert.
11 p.m.—Close down.
8.05 to 10 p.m.—European programme from Z.B.W. on a frequency of 610 kilocycles.
8.05 p.m.—Excerpts from "Patience" (Gilbert and Sullivan).
Twenty Love Sick Maidens We. Still brooding on their mad infatuation; I cannot tell what this love may be. In a Doleful Train; Now, is not this ridiculous.
Long years ago.
8.20 p.m.—"Hall Vienna" Potpourri (Dostal) played by Marek Weber and his Orchestra.
8.30 p.m.—

Band Music
The Mill on the Rock—Overture (arr. Winterbottom).
Faust Follies (Gounod, arr. Dehroy Somers).
Carmen—Caprice (Bizet, arr. Dehroy Somers).
Silver Trumpets—Grand Processional March (Viviani).
Parade of the Elephants (Chenette).
The Old Frog Pond (Alford).
9 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).
9.15 p.m.—Dance music.
10 p.m.—Big Ben, Close down.

BERLIN PROGRAMME
9.15 p.m.—Call DJB, DJN (German, English).
9.45 p.m.—Greetings to our Listeners.
5 p.m.—Hitler Youth Programme by the Young Folk: Songs that have encouraged us.
5.15 p.m.—Modern Piano Music. Played by Willi Stech.
5.30 p.m.—News and Economic Review in English.
5.45 p.m.—"Things that creep and fly".
A Merry Hour with Animals by Konrad Scherber.
8.30 p.m.—National Socialist Books: Ernst Krick's "National-politische Erziehungs".
8.45 p.m.—News and Economic Review in German.
9 p.m.—Concert of Light Music.
9.15 p.m.—Concert of Light Music (continued).
9.30 p.m.—Concert of Light Music (continued).
9.45 p.m.—Concert of Light Music (continued).
9.55 p.m.—Concert of Light Music (continued).
10 p.m.—Close DJB, DJN (German, English).

9.05 p.m.—Call DJB, DJN (German, English).
German Folk Song.
9.10 p.m.—Greetings to our Listeners.
9.15 p.m.—News and Economic Review in German on DJB, DJN, DJN.
9.30 p.m.—Hitler Youth Programme: Songs that have encouraged us.
9.45 p.m.—Modern Piano Music. Played by Willi Stech.
10 p.m.—News and Economic Review in English on DJB and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.
10.15 p.m.—To-day in Germany. Sound/Pictures.
10.30 p.m.—National Socialist Books: Ernst Krick's "National-politische Erziehungs".
10.45 p.m.—Jupiter Lamp and Microphone.
12 midnight.—Close DJB, DJB, (German, English).

RADIO MANILA

5.30 a.m.—Breakfast Hour of News and Music—English and Spanish Current Events and Vaudeville of the Air, conducted by Don Alva.
7 a.m.—Sign Off.
8 p.m.—Tirso's Mabuhay Orchestra.
8.20 p.m.—Spanish Information Period.
8.25 p.m.—English Information Period.
8.55 p.m.—Stock quotations, through the courtesy of Swan, Culbertson and Fritz.
7 p.m.—Ralph, Boots and Buddy.
7.15 p.m.—On Wings of Song with Ramon Alberto.
7.30 p.m.—Commercial Monitor.
7.45 p.m.—Dinner Musicale.
8.15 p.m.—The Mystery Singer.
8.30 p.m.—Piano Stardust by Miguel Velarde, Jr.
8.45 p.m.—Stock Quotations and Local Market Reports.
9 p.m.—Amateur Hour, with Baron Unterhelsen, Master of Ceremonies.
10 p.m.—Popular Requests.
10.30 p.m.—Sign Off.

EMPIRE RADIO

TRANSMISSION 2
The following frequencies will be used:—

GSJ 21.53mc. (13.33m), GSG 17.79mc. (16.33m), GSD 11.75mc. (25.53m).
11 a.m.—Big Ben: The Composer at the Piano—12, Walford Davies; a recital of Walford Davies' songs, sung by Elsie Suddaby, soprano (accompanied by the composer).
11.25 a.m.—"Under Big Ben," a talk by Howard Marshall.
11.40 a.m.—The Bath Pump Room Orchestra (leader, J. Andrew Cooper); conductor, Frank Gomez, relayed from the Pump Room, Bath.
12.15 p.m.—Shakespeare Anniversary Programme: Shakespearean songs in contrasted settings, sung by Glenn Knight, soprano; Arnold Maters, baritone; with Hubert Gregg, readings from Shakespeare.
1 p.m.—The News and Announcements.
1.20 p.m.—Dance Music.

TRANSMISSION 3
Two of the following frequencies will be used:—
GSG 17.79mc. (16.33m), GSF 15.14mc. (19.82m), GSE 11.86mc. (25.33m).
2 p.m.—Big Ben: The Central Band of His Majesty's Royal Air Force (by permission of the Air Council), conducted by Flight-Lieut. R. P. O'Donnell, M.V.O., Director, of Music, Royal Air Force, relayed from the Royal Air Force Headquarters, Uxbridge.
3 p.m.—Talk "Down to the Sea in Ships"—Sea Communication: 2. Port to Port, Sir Richard Holt.
3.20 p.m.—"Jack and Jill Go Up the River".
3.55 p.m.—The News and Announcements.
4.15 p.m.—English Music.

ST. GEORGE'S HILL TROPHY
The St. George's Hill Trophy, held yesterday on the old course at Weybridge, was won by a team of amateurs, who took part in the thirty-six holes event. The trophy, held yesterday on the old course at Weybridge, was won by a team of amateurs, who took part in the thirty-six holes event. The trophy, held yesterday on the old course at Weybridge, was won by a team of amateurs, who took part in the thirty-six holes event.

THE BUDGET SPEECH

More Expenditure For 1936

London, April 21. In the House of Commons this afternoon the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain opened his 5th Budget. All parts of the House were crowded. In a speech lasting eighty-seven minutes he reviewed the results of the last financial year which showed he claimed a remarkable buoyancy in revenue, and he estimated the total expenditure for the present year including estimates of £797,807,000, and he announced his proposals for obtaining new revenue to meet this increased expenditure. These included raising the standard rate of income tax by 3d., including that of tea duty by 2d., of transfer from the road fund of the balance at end of last year of £5,250,000. At the same time the Chancellor made concessions to tax payers at lower one levels by increased allowances. Mr. Chamberlain stated that the Government had decided to continue the key industries duties for the period of a year and forecast the resort to borrowing to meet part of the increased cost of defence services.

THE PAST YEAR

In review of the past year the Chancellor commented that despite the supplementary votes of nearly £22,000,000 in place of £400,000 for which he had allowed, they finished the year with a true surplus. The final surplus after allowing the amount available within the fixed debt charge for debt redemption was £2,941,000—a really wonderful demonstration of buoyancy of revenue. On the revenue side customs and excise yielded £303,342,000 that was in excess of estimate by £8,500,000 and of the previous year's yield by £13,750,000. Inland revenue yielded £404,899,000 or £13,500,000 more than the estimate. Death duties gave £88,000,000 the highest yield ever obtained from death duties. The large amount was to be ascribed not to exceptional receipts from large estates but rather to the general rise in capital values which in itself was the result of the growth of confidence.

NATIONAL DEBT

Regarding the national debt Mr. Chamberlain said taking all the factors into account, it showed a reduction during the year of £4,500,000, and the floating debt was reduced by £51,250,000. The exchange equalisation account continued to show a profit.

Turning to the new year the Chancellor said that the fixed debt charge had remained during the last three years at £224,000,000, during which period he had been able out of the savings within that charge to make available for a debt reduction of £32,500,000—and much as he would like to increase the provision for the redemption of debt he did not feel justified in doing so. Estimates for supply services already published provided £378,748,000 for Civil departments and £158,251,000 for defence services—a total of £536,999,000. Mr. Chamberlain announced that he had decided to set aside a margin for supplementary estimates for defence services of £20,000,000. He was still unable to add to his statement before the House that another £10,000,000 would be required for Air Force or to state what would be wanted for Army and Navy though together the latter two would probably need rather more than the sum allotted to the Air Force. This provision for supplementary services brought the total for supply services to £556,999,000 and with £224,000,000 for fixed debt charge and £11,300,000 for other consolidated fund services brought the estimated expenditure for current year to a total of £797,807,000.

REVENUE FOR 1936

Estimating the revenue for 1936 Mr. Chamberlain said he anticipated a considerable upward movement in customs and excise and was budgeting for substantial increases in nearly all items, with the total estimate on the existing basis of taxation of £314,000,000 or £10,500,000 more than the actual yield last year. From inland revenue also he expected substantial increases—£10,000,000 more from income tax and £3,500,000 more from the first time owing to a lag behind

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income tax effects of the last two years' trade improvement. He put down £89,000,000 as yield from death duties, and £27,000,000 from stamp duties, making with other items a total for inland revenue of £241,000,000. With the Post Office contribution of £10,750,000 the total estimated revenue on existing basis of taxation would be £251,750,000 leaving him with a deficit of £22,250,000. The Chancellor then proceeded to explain his proposals for balancing the budget. From measures to be incorporated into the balance act for dealing with the "infernal methods of tax evasion" which he described, he expected to get several millions. However, he proposed to carry little further relief beyond what in the last year to taxpayers with small incomes and a burden of family expenses. He proposed an allowance for children, from £50,000, £60,000 and £70,000, £1,000,000 this year and £2,000,000 in the full year and a similar raising a similar allowance of £100,000,000 persons from £170,000 to £180 per annum. *British Wireless.*

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WOMAN TRAP

How front-page reporters, specializing in gangland crime, secure their tips from underworld sources, is illustrated in the opening sequence of Paramount's drama, "Woman Trap," next change at the Queen's Theatre.

George Murphy portrays the reporter who gets a tip on a jewel robbery. Not only does he know who stole the registered diamonds,

but when a double-crossing member of the gang is wiped out he has the "dope" long before the authorities get the wind of the affair. There is, in the picture, an expose of the conflicting motives of pride and outrage which dominate the proprietor of a powerful daily. The owner is proud that one of his staff is so unearthing "in the know." There is also humiliation in the idea that a reporter is consorting with criminals. The report-

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:—
"Last Of The Pagans"
QUEEN'S:—
"Captain Blood"
ORIENTAL:—
"Front Page Woman"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—
"Annie Oakley"
MAJESTIC:—
"Cardinal Richelieu"
STAR:—
"Smart Girl"

Coming

KING'S:—
"The Last Days of Pompeii"
ORIENTAL:—
"Here Comes The Band"
ALHAMBRA:—
"Gentle Julia"
MAJESTIC:—
"Shipmates Forever"
STAR:—
"Alice Adams"
"Rose Of The Rancho"

"HERE COMES THE BAND"

At The Oriental

Romance and melody blend in a delectable entertainment to bring to the screen Ted Lewis, high-natured troubadour or syncopator. Famed entertainment keeps ball of merriment rolling in "Here Comes The Band" showing at the Oriental Theatre on Friday and Saturday.

The picture differs radically from usual musicals in that the story itself is written about a key song, "Headin' Home," which is pirated and restored to its owner through a court scene in which the "evidence" is music, by Lewis and his band, and singers, showing the genesis of the song.

Ted Lewis introduces his own famous specialties, such as "When My Baby Smiles," "Me and My Shadow," "Peanuts" and others.

Lewis, high hat and all, scores with "You're My Thrill," in which Spanky McFarland, "Our Gang" comedian, acts as his singing partner, and in which bevy of dancing beauties figure in several dances created by Chester Hale in the big parade number and the wartime sequence that serves as a prologue.

The story follows the fortunes of an army band, from the Armistice to 1935, through their reunions and adventures. The cast includes Donald Cook, Addison Richards, Robert Gleckler, Henry Kolker, May Beatty and others.

Ted Healy and Nat Pendleton provide a hilarious comedy team, the elephantine Pendleton being specially funny as a piccolo player.

An uproarious comedy sequence is the "amateur contest" in a radio station, and comedy is also provided by the "Army Band" number by actors, placed among the musicians, for funny "gags" in the number itself. Many spectacular settings mark the new picture.



Mr. Lazlo Schwartz who will make his first appearance to the Hongkong public on Friday (the 24th, and Saturday the 25th) instant, in the Roof Garden and Grill Room of the H.K. Hotel.

er gets the coveted assignment to the crime scoop of the year.

Others in the cast of players are Gertrude Michael, Roscoe Karns, Akim Tamiroff, Samuel S. Hinds, Sidney Blackmer and Dean Jagger.

Children Of Fortune



Less than a year after they became film players, Errol Flynn and Olivia de Havilland obtained the most coveted screen roles of the year, as leads of the Cosmopolitan production "Captain Blood" which opens at the Queen's Theatre to-day. Flynn came from the London stage—Miss de Havilland from High School—to become stars.

CAPTAIN BLOOD

Daring and debonaire Peter Blood, immortalized by the novel of Rafael Sabatini, has been brought to life on the screen by Cosmopolitan productions in "Captain Blood," a mammoth production which commences to-day at the Queen's Theatre, as a First National release.

The gentleman pirate of fortune is portrayed by Errol Flynn, a young Irishman comparatively new to the films but won't his role, considered one of the most important of the year, over a score of famous actors after a series of screen tests.

The leading lady, portraying a beautiful noblewoman who falls in love with the bold pirate, is none other than Olivia de Havilland who leaped to fame over night by her work in "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

In addition to these two there is an all star cast of more than forty principals headed by Lionel Atwill, Basil Rathbone, Ross Alexander, Guy Kibbee, Henry Stephenson, Robert Barrat, Howard Cavanaugh, David Torrence and J. Carroll Nash. Several hundred bit players and extras take part in the mammoth scenes.

"SMART GIRL"

Packed with action, liberally sprinkled with comedy, "Smart Girl," which opened at the Star Theatre yesterday, turns out to be a bright, sophisticated romance drama of the modern girl and her adventures in the business of love as well as in the business of making a living, proving at the same time that business and romance have a strange way of mixing.

Ida Lupino, a blonde, well born, personable young thing and her sister, Gail Patrick, brunette, also well born and glamorous, find themselves faced with the problem of earning a living after their father's loss of his huge fortune and inevitable suicide. Kent Taylor, struggling but handsome young lawyer, pops into their lives at this moment. Both girls, exact opposites though they be, promptly fall in love with him. The eternal triangle is born when he marries the beautiful Miss Patrick who soon shows her true colors. In order to cater to her expensive tastes, her husband finds himself innocently selling phoney stock.

In the meantime Miss Lupino has taken her bruised heart into the business world and has become successful designing hats for Joseph Cawthorn, a kindly millinery manufacturer. She discovers the stock swindle which involves her brother-in-law and decides it is high time she really live up to the title of the film. Many amusing and dramatic moments arise when this modern young miss starts working things out for herself.

Miss Lupino gives a splendid performance as the typical self-sufficient, impulsive, attractive young business girl of to-day. Gail Patrick's portrayal of another kind of smart girl is particularly commendable. Kent Taylor makes the role of young lawyer engaging and plausible, while Joseph Cawthorn and Pinkie Tomlin provide most of the comedy moments.

"LAST OF THE PAGANS"

At The King's

"Last of the Pagans," the romance of South Seas native life, is now enchanting audiences at the King's Theatre.

Saga of native life and a vanishing race, filmed on an uncharted coral island where the native life is as yet untouched by the white man's civilization, the new picture, is a charming native love story, of a boy and girl, separated through the trickery of white traders, and reunited through the heroism of the native warrior.

Played amid scenes so beautiful that they are literally breathtaking, embellished with such thrills as a potash mine cave-in, a battle between Mala, the hero, and a wild boar, thrills of swordfight and shark hunting, and a furious island typhoon, the picture covers the gamut of island life from its intimate family existence and its fantastic native dances and ceremonies to its most exciting moments. Thorpe's deft direction brings out each point with artistry.

Mala, the Eskimo hero, is superb as the South Seas warrior, and beautiful Lotus Long makes an ideal heroine. Interesting characters are the native playing the island chief, the mother, and the small boy, Timee.

WORLD TRADE RECOVERING

More At Work In First Quarter Of 1936

Geneva, Apr. 5.

An improvement in employment generally throughout the world is indicated by the returns of the International Labour Office for the first quarter of 1936, compared with the corresponding period of 1935.

The number of registered unemployed decreased in most European countries, the British Dominions, and the United States. Of the gold bloc countries France showed a slight decrease in the number of unemployed, and Switzerland and Holland an increase. In the United States there were 12,628,000 unemployed in February, 1936, compared with 13,058,000 in February, 1935. The index of employment in France (1930=100) was 72.6 compared with 72.5; but in Holland it fell from 70.7 to 67.6, and in Switzerland from 71.6 to 68.7.

The only returns available for Germany are given as follows. Applicants for work, including persons in casual work and on public relief works, but excluding persons in labour camps, numbered 2,893,109 in March, 1936, compared with 3,250,464 in March, 1935. Unemployed, excluding persons in casual work, on public relief works, or in labour camps, numbered 2,514,894 in March, 1936, compared with 2,784,132 in March, 1935. No figures for Italy are given.

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JANE (GINGER) WITHERS in "GENTLE JULIA"

JOHN McCORMACK SINGS GOOD-BYE

London, Apr. 8.

Women wept at John McCormack's Albert Hall recital yesterday, and the great singer himself pulled out his handkerchief as he sang:—

"When I have sung my songs to you I'll sing no more."

He was in magnificent form. Out of twenty-five songs, about half were encores, and many were old favourites which set the audience cheering.

After the performance he told me, in true Irish fashion: "Yes, I am retiring definitely unless I change my mind."

"I expect you noticed the last words of my last song:—"

"That I could never sing again except to you."

"That means," he explained, turning to smiling Countess McCormack, "that in future I shall be singing only to her. She's beautiful enough, isn't she?"

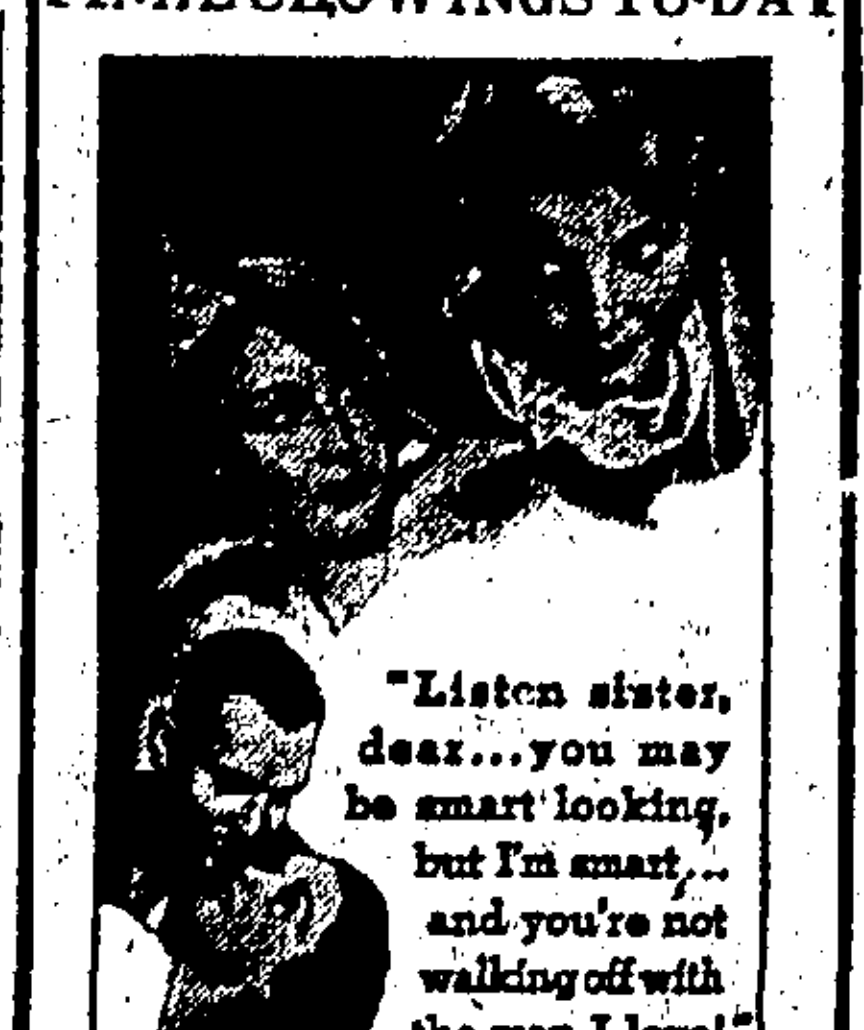
Somebody asked him which was his favourite song.

"I have thousands of songs in my repertoire," he said, "and my favourite is the one I happen to be singing at the moment."

When he heard that Miss Joseph Collins was dangerously ill he seemed very upset.

"She is a very old friend of mine," he said.

STAR THEATRE FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY



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ARMED ROBBERY RECALLED

West Point Affair
Related In Court

Committal proceedings were begun before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday against three Chinese who were alleged to be implicated in the armed robbery which took place in West Point recently.

U Mui was charged with armed robbery at 157 Queen's Road West, third floor on March 3 last of money and jewellery to the value of \$633. Tom Choi Yau alias Tam Sik Chuen; nephew of the complainant appeared on charges of receiving stolen property and also for being an accessory before the fact, while Tsai Tak-kam was charged with receiving.

Chief Detective Inspector Murphy prosecuted, assisted by Det. Sgt. Kinnear. The defendants were not legally represented.

Outlining the facts of the case, Inspector Murphy said that on the day the robbery took place, at about 7.30 a.m., complainant, an aged woman, Chan Kung Ho, married, was the only person in the house in question. That morning before the robbery, complainant's three children had gone to school and the house amah to the market. Second defendant, Tam, was complainant's husband's nephew and he was the one who left the house last before the robbery. He was supported by complainant—she slept in her house and ate meals there. Complainant's eldest son went out of the house before second defendant and as usual he locked the gate and had the door shut.

A KNOCK AT THE DOOR

At about 7.30 a.m. complainant was alone when there was a knock at the door which was locked after second defendant had gone out. Complainant asked who it was, to which a voice replied that there was a letter for her from the shop which she had before received letters. She opened the door to take the letter and having done so, she saw two men standing by the gate. The gate incidentally was open on this occasion. One of the two men had a file sharpened like a dagger in his hand and he pointed it at complainant, ordering her to make no noise. The two men entered the house, caught hold of complainant and dragged her to the rear cubicle where she was gagged and bound.

Without even asking complainant or searching the house, the two men went to the place where the key was in the person of complainant. The complainant remained bound and gagged in the rear cubicle when they opened the safe in the parlour and money and jewellery to the value of \$633 were taken which included a box containing jewellery. This box belonged to one of complainant's friends. It was broken up and the jewellery inside were also taken. Complainant's friend kept the key to the box so complainant did not know what actually was inside although it was mentioned that it contained jewellery.

ALARM RAISED

After the robbers had left the house, complainant managed to get herself loose and raised the alarm. Later the Police arrived. They waited until second defendant came back to the house and the latter was arrested. He took the Police to No. 12 Stone Nullah Lane where third defendant, Tsai, was arrested. A basket seized which third defendant claimed to be his, was later found to contain almost all the money and jewellery stolen at the robbery.

On April 10 second defendant voluntarily made a confession, which he signed. It was to the effect that he was a party to the robbery.

On March 11 the Police were taken by second defendant to a godown at Kennedy Town where in the wall in a hole \$15 in money and a gold ring belonging to complainant were found.

First defendant was pointed out while walking in Jordan Road, Kowloon, and was arrested by the Police. Upon arrest he admitted taking part in the robbery.

UNIDENTIFIED

During the course of her evidence, Chan Kung Ho, whose husband is a restaurant proprietor in Canada, said that she could not remember having seen first and third defendants before. Second defendant was her husband's nephew.

Further evidence was heard after which the hearing was adjourned.

FALSE PRETENCES DENIED

Stated Money
Obtained As
A Loan

A well-dressed Chinese youth appeared before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday charged with having defrauded various people, of \$50.00 including two boys 16 years of age and another 18 years of age.

The accused K. Sai Cheong (25) alias Vincent Ki, ex-student of St. Paul's College, emphatically denied the charge when it was read out to him.

Accused was alleged to have obtained \$50.00 from the complainants by purporting to be in a position to obtain employment for the complainants as apprentices electricians at Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., "whereas in fact he was not."

The complainants were Man Kam Sang (18), Li Tak Chuen (16), Li Hau Man (26), Mak Chak Tong (18) and Lo Kwan.

Det. Sgt. Ellis, outlining the case said that about December 23, the accused met a teacher named Lau Sai Tong and asked him if he (the latter) knew anyone wishing to obtain work. The accused made Lau understand that he could obtain work for five people in Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co. on payment of \$10 each.

Lau handed over the money, \$50, in all to his brother who in turn gave the sum to the accused. The jobs promised were supposed to materialise on January 1, and since then the accused had made evasive statements until his arrest.

Evidence for the prosecution was given by Lau, and his brother Lau Yuk Fong, a solicitor's clerk.

Occupying the witness stand, the accused said that he borrowed \$50 from one of the witnesses, at ten per cent. interest which he had promised to give back sometime this month. He had not promised to obtain work for anyone.

The case was remanded till 11

Around the Courts

NO LICENCE

A fine of \$10 was imposed upon Mrs. Z. Bogdatsky, of No. 26 Hankow Road, ground floor, when she appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday and admitted having a wireless receiving set on April 2, without a licence. Mr. G. A. Carruthers stated that a licence was taken out on the following day. The summons was issued against defendant about two weeks ago about the same time as his Worship issued his warning regarding the pending increase of fines. James Yau, of No. 37, Hankow Road, second floor, admitted a similar offence and was also fined \$10.

UNREGISTERED "MUI-TSAI"

Summoned before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, for keeping an unregistered mui-tai, named Ng Nui, aged 12 years, Fok Po-chun, widow, residing at No. 46, Fat King Street, first floor, pleaded not guilty. Defendant stated she paid the girl fifty cents a month. The hearing of the case was fixed for 2.30 p.m. on May 12.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION

Charged before Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court yesterday with the unlawful possession of a quantity of electric wiring at Upper Lascar Row, Lau Huen, 27, street coolie, was bound over. Defendant told the police that he bought the wiring from a marine store dealer who could not be traced. Sub-Ins. Sabey prosecuted.

CONFISCATION ORDER

On the application of Detective Sergeant Grainger, Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court yesterday made an order for the confiscation of 220 cabbies of sugar found unclaimed and unmanifestered aboard the Douglas steamer Haitan.

BANISHMENT

For returning from banishment, Lo Chuen, 66, was sentenced to

a.m. to-day, the Magistrate intimating that he would like time to consider his verdict.

three months' hard labour by Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court yesterday. The defendant was banished on April 1 for ten years. Sub-Inspector A. T. Sabey prosecuted.

FALSE TRADE MARK

At the instigation of the Sincere Company Perfumery Manufacturers Ltd., the manager of the Sui King Company, 188-193, Des Voeux Road Central, appeared before Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court yesterday summoned for having two jars of Hair Stilton to which a false trade description had been applied. Mr. E. S. C. Brooks, for the defendant firm, pleaded guilty. Mr. H. N. Chau appeared for the prosecution. The Magistrate ordered the goods to be destroyed and the defendants to pay \$10 costs to the complainants.

FAILED TO APPEAR

Chan Yee, 40, widow, failed to appear before Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court yesterday on a charge of keeping a sly brothel at 4, Staveley Street, second floor, and her bail of \$50 was estreated. Sub-Ins. I. K. Wnehan was in charge of the case.

FOR AN UNLAWFUL PURPOSE

Three months' hard labour was passed by Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court yesterday on I. Tsung, 46, a deaf man, remanded from Monday on a charge of the possession of a knife, an instrument fit for an unlawful purpose, near the Ko Shing Theatre. A Chinese constable testified that on the report of a small boy he searched the defendant and found the knife in his girdle. The blade was open. In the defendant's presence the boy accused the defendant of assaulting him. Sub-Inspector A. Kirby prosecuted.

A TEST CASE

Cheung Yin-sang, No. 100 Johnston Road, was summoned before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, for having had milk for sale on his premises without a licence. Mr. C. A. S. Russ, appearing on behalf of the

THE KING AT OXFORD

Surprise Visit To
Magdalen.

London, April 6.

The King, accompanied by two friends, paid an informal visit to Magdalen College, Oxford, where he was an undergraduate, on Saturday.

His Majesty was motoring through Oxford, and stopped at Magdalen shortly before 3 o'clock. As it was during the vacation, the President and Fellows were not in residence, and the King was met by the under-porter. The King conducted his friends round the College, pointing out the places of interest and taking several photographs. He visited the staircase where his old rooms were, but did not enter them. His visit lasted about half an hour.

After the party left Magdalen they called at the Mitre Hotel, where the King talked for some minutes with the hall porter, Ernest Davies, and other members of the staff. He noted with interest a cup won by the Mitre staff in a football competition last year, which is displayed in the hall of the hotel, and remarked on the alterations to the smoking-room.

The King was the guest of Lord Dudley during the week-end at Himley Hall, Dudley, where he arrived on Friday.

defendant, pleaded not guilty, and, at the same time, remarked it was a test case. It was alleged by the prosecution that defendant had been refused a licence to sell milk, but continued to do so. Hearing of the case was fixed for 2.30 p.m. on May 11.

DOG ABROAD

Mrs. Moto Munia, of 106, Jaffe Road, Wanchai, was fined \$15 by Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court yesterday on a summons for allowing her Japanese dog abroad in Wongneichung Road unmuzzled and not on the lead. Sgt. Channing prosecuted.

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TRADE IN CHINA

Better Prospects Ahead

THE ELIMINATION OF CUT THROAT RATES

Despite the deficit of £27,346. 11s. 6d. as was shown in the Steamers' Working accounts, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson, chairman of the board of Directors of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., which held its annual general meeting yesterday in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., expressed confidence for the coming years.

The Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson was supported by the following directors: Messrs. M. T. Johnson and S. T. Williamson and Mr. C. T. Tod (Shipping Manager).

The shareholders present were Messrs. N.L.H. Ralston, A. C. Wilcox, M. H. Lo, Chan Wing, Fung Hun, M. J. Henderson, H. W. M. Dailley, F. C. Hall, A. M. da Silva, T. R. MacDonald, J. Baptista, A. Murdoch, D. L. Newbiggin, Mr. E. J. Armstrong (Solicitor) and Mr. John Fleming (Auditor).

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

PAYS NO DIVIDEND

The notice convening the meeting was first read by Mr. C. T. Tod following which was read the Auditors' report.

The Hon. Mr. Patterson in reading the report for the year said: "Gentlemen—Except for an unexpected demand for space that arose on the Upper River in the Autumn, Trade generally in China this year was poorer even than in 1934, and there were few local Owners and Time-Charterers who escaped losses. However, by dint of rigid economies in which we are persisting still, I am able to report that the Balance of Steamers' Working Accounts showed a loss of £27,346.11.6d. as against a loss of £45,808.15.3d. for the previous year."

It must be obvious to you all from the Working Results of the past few years that the road to recovery is likely to be a long one. Still, we have managed to cover some distance along that road and I am confident that progress will be a little faster now that rival Shipping Companies show a willingness to co-operate with each other for the purpose of stabilizing rates of freight.

Bad as the political situation in the Far East has been, and may yet be, it affects us all alike, and it merely adds to those difficulties which are trying enough when Lines upset freight markets by engaging in individual competition.

The situation on the River was better than it has been for some time which, incidentally, reflects a happier state of Government. The Central Authorities, by the establishment of a blockhouse system along the banks of the Yangtze and an improvement in the discipline and conduct of the Government forces have cleared this important area of Reds, and Trade in consequence has taken on a much healthier colour. With the deserted farms being re-populated again some measure of agrarian reform will surely be introduced as being the most effective counterpoise to Communism which has wreaked such havoc in this country in the past.

YANGTZE POOL AGREEMENT
In July last the Yangtze Pool Agreement was revived after a lapse of 10 years, and I am hoping that trading conditions there will continue to improve under this fresh stimulant.

On the Coast the volume of cargo reveals further shrinkage and, in spite of this, it was noted that competing Lines have increased their berth tonnage which, as was inevitable, hardly improved matters.

Throughout the year under review the Company's vessels cleared considerable shipments of Pig Iron at unremunerative rates from India to Japan and, but for better paying General Cargo moving in fair quantity between these countries and the Straits, earnings from this Line would have been poor.

On the Borneo Run business was moderate only for here we suffer frequently from the depredations of casual tramp tonnage.

As I remarked at the outset, it has not been a happy year for local Shipowners, but we can at least view the immediate future with a little more optimism.

SILVER EXCHANGE

This Company is benefitting from a lower dollar and I hope, now that China and Hong Kong are on managed currencies, will continue to do so. Anything which helps China helps us.

Turning to more general matters, a setback to conditions in China resulted from the extensive

nooses that occurred when both the Yangtze and Yellow Rivers overflowed their banks, a singular event when these Rivers should leave their courses in the same year. The lessons learnt by bitter experience of the Yangtze were applied with some success at "An-kow," but great tracts of dry adjacent to the Yellow R. became inundated. This would seem to point to a lack of co-ordination amongst the various Conservancy bodies throughout the country, and it is hoped that an early adjustment will be made in such a matter of grave importance.

SMUGGLING

Smuggling, as you all know, became a by product of Trade in China from the time the Government started to erect tariff walls. Both the Revenue Authorities and the Shipping Companies have had to provide and maintain at this time Preventive Staffs at considerable cost, and whilst smuggling by our vessels has been largely suppressed, thanks to the able assistance rendered by the Floating Staff, I cannot help but repeat that the soundest policy must lie in dealing with the culprits rather than in fining the Shipowner when tariff breaches are committed on his vessels, and it is this policy that the Customs Authorities seem to favour. To give point to my remarks I may say that the Piracy menace has been lifted to a remarkable extent in recent months, through the action of the Chinese Authorities in breaking up the gangs that have infested the Bias Bay area. It is axiomatic that crime ceases with the criminal. I cannot leave the subject of Piracy without expressing our gratitude to H. M. Naval Authorities for the great measure of protection they have so willingly and successfully afforded all these years.

Your Directors are pleased to report again that the Company maintained its clean record as far as major casualties in the Fleet are concerned, and I am certain you will join with me in congratulating the Floating Staff on this fresh evidence of efficiency.

TWO VESSELS SOLD

As stated in the Report, the S/S "Yusang" and S/S "Chipsing," having outlived their usefulness, were sold for breaking-up at a small profit on their Book Value.

The new Coaster built at Home, v.z. S/S "Taksang" to which I referred last year, was put into commission in the Autumn, and is proving a valuable acquisition to the Fleet. Every endeavour is being made to liquidate our overdraft with the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, who financed the building of the steamer.

Turning now to the Statement of Accounts, the items debited to Revenue amount to £54,863.18.4d. as follows: General Charges £7,637.17.5d., Floating Staff Penalties £10,490.17.7d., Interest £9,507.11.10d., Loss on Working of Steamers £27,346.11.6d.

Items credited to Revenue Account amount to £28,305.15.5d. and include Charges overprovided in previous years £7,000, Transfer Fees £37,611d., Exchange Adjustment £20,461.4.3d. and Gain on Units Sold £131.2.0d. The only item calling for comment is the Exchange Adjustment £20,461.4.3d. This was due to the rapid fall in the rate of Exchange towards the end of the year giving a closing rate of 1/38 at which rate our Floating Dollar Assets and Liabilities were converted, whereas our Working Balances were taken at the average rate for the year viz. 1/111.

A COCK AND BULL STORY

Unemployed Gaoled

Relying upon the sympathetic nature of his victims in the pursuance of his illegal schemes to obtain money, Hajer Karin Ismail, alias Ah Man, alias Edward Baines, alias Francis Arthur, 32, unemployed, appeared before Mr. S. F. Balfour yesterday morning at the Central Magistracy charged with attempting to obtain \$15 by false pretences from Mr. W. G. Fitz Gibbon of the P.W.D.

Detective Sergeant Russell prosecuted and stated that on the 18th the defendant presented a letter to Mr. Fitz Gibbon which said that the defendant's wife had died and that he needed \$55 for the funeral expenses. Defendant also stated that he had a deposit with a certain firm but inquiries revealed that the said firm had no such deposit. Further the manager of the firm denied the signature of the letter.

At the foot of the letter was added that five gentlemen had given him sums of money. This was found to be untrue. Another well-known man had been victimised in the same way. The defendant was arrested on the 19th by P.C.B. 620.

The defendant pleaded guilty to the charge and asked for leniency as this was his first offence.

Serjt. Russell said that the defendant was also known to the General Charities Organisation and the Hong Kong Benevolent Society from which he had obtained various sums of money by recounting false stories and giving false names and addresses.

Defendant stated that these things were taught to him by a Portuguese named Castilho who had asked him to get money by these means and divide it with him.

His Worship sentenced him to six weeks' hard labour.

NO DIVIDEND

After allowing for the above, there remains a debit of £26,678.2.11d. and it is proposed to transfer the sum of £28,000. from General Reserve Account to meet this loss and to carry forward £1,321.17.1d. to the year 1936. In view of this analysis, I am sorry to say it will not be possible to declare a dividend. I must mention that no charge has been made against Revenue Account for Depreciation during the year.

For the past four years, the Directors have waived their fees amounting to £1,500. per annum and, as I have stated before, these sums are not being held in suspense.

Dealing with the Balance Sheet, it will be seen that Steamships, Hulk, Launches etc. show an increase of £58,887.15.3d. due to final payments on account of S/S "Taksang" and Swatow Steel Pontoon, less Book Value of Units sold.

SUNDY DEBTORS IN CHINA

Sundry Debtors in China and London now stand at £92,743.6.10d. a reduction of £30,083.8.3d. compared with last year. This reduction is chiefly due to Assets in China being converted at 1/38 to the Dollar as against 1/84 in 1934. All the amounts owing the Company have been collected since the end of 1935.

With regard to the Liabilities, General Reserve is reduced from £38,000. to £10,000. due to transfer of £28,000. to Revenue Account.

Underwriting Account and Special Repairs and Renewals both show small reductions due to payments debited to these Accounts during the year.

Sundry Creditors in China and London now stand at £234,363.4.3d. as against £174,664.17.4d. last year. The difference is mainly due to the increase in our liability to the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and to the General Managers.

Before I leave the matter of Accounts and the question of Expenditure in particular, I feel obliged to point out that the set of rules drawn up at the Simla Conference for the Safety of Lives at Sea is soon to be enforced, which means that the Company will be faced with an unusually heavy outlay in reconditioning certain of its ships to fit them for Passenger Licenses under the new rules.

I do not think there is anything more in the Accounts to be commented upon and I now beg to propose the following Resolution:— "That the Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be adopted including the transfer of £28,000. from General Reserve Account to Revenue Account and that the sum of

FAREWELL TO LADY SOUTHERN

Women's Club's Tribute

Yesterday afternoon the International Women's Club said farewell to its founder, Lady Southern. A tea party was given to which nearly all of the members of the Club were present. Opportunity was taken of the occasion to present Lady Southern with a memento as a token with which the esteem and love which the members extend to their President.

After tea was over Mrs. Dunbar in presenting the memento, which was a carved ivory figure of Confucius, said:—Lady Southern and Fellow Members; I have been to the dictionary for a Synonym for the word "Inspiration," which I feel sure, has been used a dozen times recently, in as many farewell speeches to our Founder. But I still like my own word for her best; "Electric." She is both the dynamo and the current; but whereas most electricity, to be useful to man, requires specially made apparatus, Lady Southern can take any human material that comes to her hand, and galvanize it into working. She even makes ardent club workers out of erstwhile bridge addicts;—and make them like it! Let us hope that she will arrange to send us short wave radiations from the Gambia, to keep us running at top speed.

FAST IMPROVEMENT

I need not tell you how this club has grown from its small beginnings. This gathering to-day can tell you that; but I can tell you that its very beginning was one girl's need of a good dinner and a place to rest; that need brought to light by patient questioning by Lady Southern when a girl who was serving her late in the day was obviously in need of both. That was enough to start Lady Southern to work on the organising of a club for business women, and she did not rest, nor let us rest, till it was an accomplished fact.

Our thanks are due to that benefactor of all worthy projects, Mr. Tang Shui Kin. He has presented us with the magnificent sum of \$1,000 for the erection of a permanent swimming-matched, the site for which has not yet been decided upon.

FIVE HUNDRED MEMBERS

We stand now, with our five hundred members, our comfortable rooms, with the new shower just installed off the rest room, with our good food, our library, and the latest, our bathing machine, a living monument to our Founder's love of her fellow women.

And now, in the name, and with the love, of every one of the five hundred, I present to you, Lady Southern, this little figure of Confucius. With the emblem of long life in his hands, may he ever be with you in the good life which he taught, and you have chosen. And may he continue to remind you, as he looks at you from amidst the souvenirs of all your Hong Kong activities, that there are five hundred women here who will ever remember you with deep affection.

LADY SOUTHERN

In thanking Mrs. Dunbar and the members for their kindness Lady Southern said:—Mrs. Dunbar and members of this Club, I had a nasty sinking feeling when I came here to-day that I was going to be thanked for something. My worst fears have been justified. I must clear my conscience at once and impress upon you that you are all suffering from a great illusion. I can't imagine what you are thanking me for. I admit I had always cherished the idea of a Women's International Club on the lines of the one we founded in Colombo. But apart from talking about it I fail to see what I've done. Good friends provided the funds with which to found it, and

£1,321.17.1d. be carried forward to next year."

The resolution was seconded by Mr. S. T. Williamson and was carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

The next business was the election of directors and Sir Robert Ho Tung, the retiring director, being eligible, offered himself for re-election. His re-election, proposed by Mr. F. C. Hall and seconded by Mr. A. Murdoch, was confirmed.

Mr. D. L. Newbiggin proposed the re-election of Mr. John Fleming and Mr. A. Ritchie as auditors for the coming year at a remuneration of \$6,000. This proposal was seconded by Mr. N.L.H. Ralston and was carried unanimously.

good helpers did the rest. Meanwhile I have come to look upon the Club as a home from home, to sit in its comfortable chairs, to meet my friends there, to discuss business there, eat its excellent food, and wander into its flourishing Thrift Shop.

PRIDE IN CLUB

But, though I maintain that I am more of an onlooker than a worker, I do feel a tremendous pride in our Club. I feel it is a real asset to the life of this Colony. The Women's International Club stands for something more than a glorified tea shop. In the beginning I had my fears that this was its be-all and end-all. But gradually there has crept into it the personal touch, a real fellowship between members. And its activities increase every day, together with its internationalism. When I went in the other day I found a scene of varied activity which is typical of the Club and worth recording.

Mr. Wells was giving Chinese lessons to two English girls in one corner and another day you will see him giving English lessons to Chinese girls in another corner, a girl who had lived in Japan was entertaining a party of girls who had all lived in Japan. The Busy Bees were holding an informal Committee Meeting over a cup of tea and so was the Women's Auxiliary. I was entertaining some American friends from the "Franconia" and one man said he had never taken "eleven" before but he couldn't resist our coffee and hot scones. Apart from these groups there was a constant coming and going and my heart was full of joy. I feel that members are not only taking from the Club but also giving in full measure.

And another side line is developing out of this feeling of friendliness—the Chairman has been successful in finding employment for some women who could not get in touch with employers. This is most valuable work and I am hopeful that in Mrs. Dunbar's hands it will grow into a definite employment Bureau. But there is no end to our hopes and plans for the Club. It is with real regret I leave it and all those who use it and work in it. I shall hope to hear news of it.

AN INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION

It is one of my dreams come true. My husband and I love meeting people of other nations. More-over I start with the odds in my favour in the International Stakes—an English Father, a Dutch Mother, an American brother-in-law and Scandinavian cousins make one feel at home internationally.

The other side of the Club has its special appeal too. When I was a journalist many years ago I know how much I appreciated a small subterranean Club off the Strand where one could have a rest in peace over a cup of tea. Our food did not come up to the standards of Mrs. Biggar and Mrs. Fraser. I have never forgotten watching a severe looking woman eating lettuce and cracknels—a combination I have never seen equalled. Still that Club gave to us what the Club gives a place in which working women and girls could relax for a short time during their strenuous day and I rejoice to think that this amenity has been created in Hong Kong. The roll of membership is a testimony to the need for it.

In addition I rejoice in our link with Canton. We and the Canton Women's International Club are affiliated and I hope that our contact will develop now that one can reach Canton in three hours. My husband and I had a splendid welcome there last week and during our visit I talked over our Club with several charming Chinese friends. They are greatly interested in it and I look forward to interchange of visits and ideas between the two Clubs in the future. Unfortunately I shall not be able to take part in these, but I assure you all that I shall follow the fortunes of the Club with the keenest interest however far away. May it prosper exceedingly and may all good fortune attend those who preside over its destinies and all its members. (Applause).

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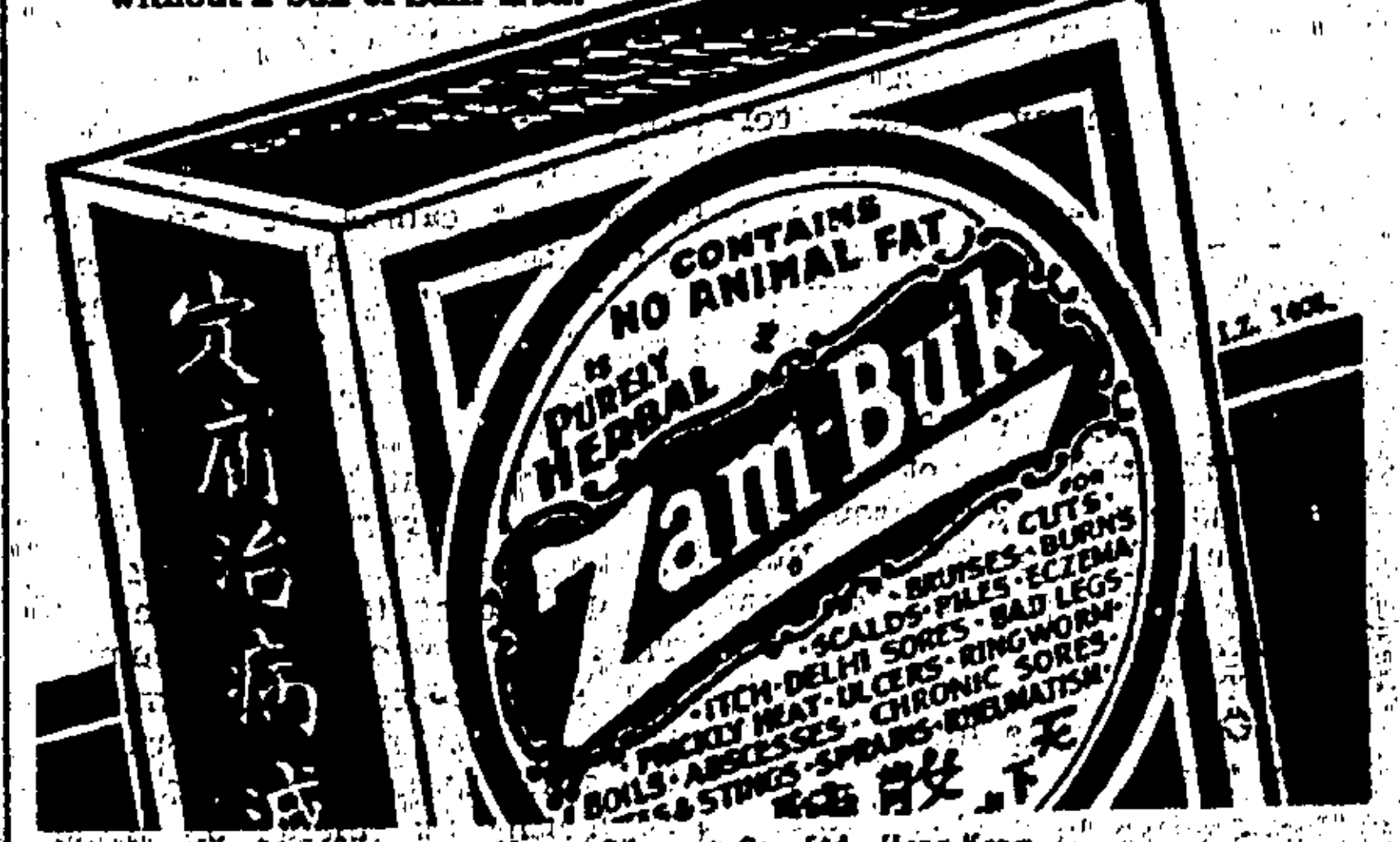
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Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 23rd April, 1936.

By Order,

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AIR POLICY

The Memorandum accompanying the Air Estimates tells us a little more about the expansion scheme. The White Paper, for example, did not say when the new figure of 1,750 first-line aircraft would be reached. The Memorandum now states that, "including provision for full war reserves," the programme "will extend into 1937 and 1938," while the additional twelve squadrons for service overseas will be established "by 1939." But probably this only means that the full ordering of industrial plant, reserves, and so on under the scheme, will not be completed during the next two years. Our first-line home strength under the previous expansion scheme is certainly not less than 1,200 machines at the present day, and, judging by the extra £13,000,000 asked for this year (thanks partly to the "great progress" which has been made than was originally expected), the already sanctioned home strength of 1,500 machines should easily be reached some time this year. It is also possible to make some computation of our total air strength under the White Paper scheme. The amount of the addition to be made to the Fleet Air Arm is still not stated, but if we allow the fleet an extra ten squadrons, at a hazardous estimate, Britain's future first-line strength, at home and abroad, can scarcely fall much short of 2,450 aeroplanes. This probably would denote a greater air force than that possessed by any conceivable enemy to-day, certainly greater than that of any within striking distance. It is, of course, true that many of the 2,450 would be scattered about the Empire and not immediately available on need. Equally, also, foreign air expansion is proceeding rapidly, though not yet so rapidly as our frenzied propagandists would have us believe. None the less, when we remember that our home strength a year ago was under 700, these 2,400 machines in a year or so's time make a staggering total.

Nor, even so, have they any prospect of finality. When the previous expansion scheme was put forward last May this declared aim, according to Mr. Baldwin, was to reach "parity" with France and Germany. Mr. Baldwin admitted it had been "completely mislead" about the rate of German expansion. However, the Government, after doing "a certain amount of guesswork," decided to make the new "parity" equal 1,500 machines here at home. This year's White Paper, perhaps wisely, gives up any talk of "parity." It merely makes the fact and entirely unprovable assumption that "parity" now equals 1,750 machines. Mr. Baldwin, with all the expert advice at his back, was "misled" before. He may be misled again. His critics in the armaments press can, and do, give him any figure for Germany's or Russia's expansion that occurs to their own vivid imaginations. Nor, thanks to official secrecy and to the ease with which aeroplanes can be produced, can anyone say definitely that they are wrong. The search for air parity is indeed the search for a will-o-the-wisp. But unless something is done that disastrous search is bound to continue, every European country using, or pretending to use, its neighbours' armaments as the excuse for increasing its own. This might not

THE CITY AND SUBURBAN

Favourite Secures Third Place

London, April 22. The City and Suburban run today ended in Rippon Tor, the favourite, being beaten to third place. The following was the result:—
H's Reverence (Burns) 1
Guinea Gap (Sam Wrags) 2
Rippon Tor (Fred Fox) 3
Betting: 100/7 Rippon Tor, 100/8 Guinea Gap, 9/2 Rippon Tor.
Eighteen participated in the race, the winner running out by three lengths, while one length separated second and third.—*Reuter.*

OIL COMPANY PROTEST IN TIENTSIN

Duty Irregularity

Tientsin, April 22. Oil companies are protesting to the Customs against the arrival of kerosene and gasoline in Tientsin of which East Hopei duty amounting to one-third of the Chinese tariff is paid.—*Reuter.*

DUTCH RED CROSS TO WITHDRAW

The Hague, Apr. 21. It is learned that the Dutch Red Cross headquarters has decided to instruct the Dutch ambulance unit now in Addis Ababa to proceed to Djibouti, and to take the first available boat for home.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

matter so much in a field of warfare in which improving powers of attack also meant improving those of defence. Increase of land or sea arms may be assumed, at least partly, to cancel themselves out. Increases of air arms do not cancel themselves out. They cancel the civil populations out. The proposed increase, in our "striking power" under the expansion scheme are themselves a tacit admission of the truth that many have long asserted—that air power is chiefly the power of reprisal, of Mr. Baldwin's "killing more women and children more quickly than the enemy."

The only way to stem this insane progression is obviously to obtain some sort of agreement for limitation in the air. It is not now so much a question of reducing air armaments. That could, and should, follow. But the important thing is to obtain an agreement of any kind which would effectively stabilise national strengths in any respect, even if only at to-day's monstrous levels. And if a universal limitation agreement cannot be had, if the difficulties which all know to exist in the situation between Russia and Japan in Asia prove too strong, then some sort of Western air agreement is plainly the next best thing that any British Government, knowing the inherent weaknesses of this country's geography, ought to be working for. The Air Memorandum promises that such indeed is the "firm purpose" of the present Government. But what actually is being done? Conflicting statements on Hitler's attitude to an air pact have appeared. In December Mr. Baldwin said that Hitler in conversation had made it clear that "no progress" was "at present possible." Germany was understood to be waiting to see what effect the Italo-Abyssinian dispute would have on European alignments, and perhaps also on the effectiveness of the League. More recently it was said that "a strong official hint" had been given that Germany was now "prepared to enter into discussions." Has that hint, if given, been followed up by Britain and France, and, if so, with what effect? Before we embark irrevocably on preparations to join the European armaments race the public has a right to know. In the past, Hitler, though never stating that he was opposed to air limitation on principle, has been vague and elusive. In his famous speech of last May he spoke of making progress by outlawing bombing, working along the lines of the Geneva Red Cross Convention. But this does not of itself rule out larger arms. Surely the West's policy at this critical time would be to offer Germany, frankly and plainly, equality in the air. The offer might be made either privately or publicly. But in the interests of Europe's future, the answer, at least should be public.

HE KNOWS ALL

The Art Of Good Conversation

"You were a perfect frost at that Peak party to-night," said Mrs. Spinks to her husband as they drove home to Kowloon, a few weeks ago.
"I particularly wanted to impress those people," she added, "and all you did was to sit down in a corner and give an imitation of an oyster. Not a word could anyone get out of you. Why didn't you say something?"
"But, my darling," argued the unhappy Spinks. "What is there to say?"
"Read something," snapped back Mrs. Spinks to her husband.
He did.

Last night there was another Peak party and Mr. and Mrs. Spinks amazed everyone. Someone started talk of the depression and Mr. Spinks jumped forward.
"There is no surer sign of depression," he began, "than a slackness in civil court proceedings. When litigants have no money they don't feel like litigating."

"So what?" put in Mrs. Spinks.
"So this," replied Mr. Spinks. "During 1935 there was a remarkable decrease in the number of civil actions begun in the Hong Kong Supreme Court. In original jurisdiction 353 actions only were instituted in comparison with 417 in 1934. Fees of course, dropped accordingly and amounted to \$19,627.25 compared with \$24,732.75."

Mr. Spinks, by this time, had the attention of all the party, and taking the bit between his teeth, he galloped on.

"And in Summary Jurisdiction, 2,126 actions were instituted as against 2,781 in 1934. There was, however, an increase in criminal cases, 160 persons being committed for trial as against 135. Of the 160 indicted, 122 were convicted, 18 acquitted, 17 not proceeded against, and two bound over."

"That's only 159," put in a woman whose husband was a Civil Servant.

"Agreed," replied Mr. Spinks. "In the other case the jury disagreed."

Mrs. Spinks was non-plussed. "Did you hear the latest divorce story?" put in the woman whose husband was a civil servant, deftly trying to turn the conversation.

"That's peculiar," returned Mr. Spinks. "During the year five divorce petitions were filed in the Supreme Court of Hong Kong. Two decrees were made absolute, one decree nisi was granted and two are pending."

"Business is improving, anyhow," put in the woman whose husband, also, doggedly.

"On the contrary," returned the unabashed Mr. Spinks. "On December 31, 1935, 713 companies were registered in Hong Kong, 74 being in course of liquidation. During the year 59 new companies were registered and 68 struck off."

The party then broke up.

Going home to Kowloon, Mrs. Spinks snuggled against her husband's side.

"You were wonderful to-night, darling," she said. "What have you been reading?"

"I have been reading," replied Mr. Spinks. "The annual report of the Registrar of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong, official trustee, official administrator and Registrar of Companies (Mr. E. P. H. Long) for the year 1935. It is an interesting little brochure of some six pages, containing a host of other valuable information and was presented at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday. The report on the New Territories was also presented but I haven't read it yet."

TYPHOON WARNING

The following warning was sent from Manila in a telegram despatched at 3.15 p.m. yesterday: Typhoon in about 122 degrees Long. E. and 15 degrees Lat. N., moving W.N.W.

LONDON IMPRESSION OF JAPAN'S POLICY

London, Apr. 22. The "Times" says to-day that the summary execution for treason of four important officials of North Hsingan Province is the first sign of a tacit admission by the Japanese that their Mongol policy has failed.

The fundamental reason of this policy's failure is the fact that it had to be carried out by Japanese who showed very little sympathy for the Mongols and felt less—*Reuter.*



London, Apr. 22.—The King, who was prevented owing to other engagements from attending Princess Elizabeth's tenth birthday party at Windsor yesterday, paid a surprise visit to his niece in the evening. The King's present to the Princess (above) was a gold-mounted riding crop. His Majesty dined with Queen Mary and the Duke and Duchess of York before proceeding to his country home, Fort Belvedere, where he spent the night.—*British Wireless.*

HONG KONG SINGERS

Peninsula Hotel Concert

The Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel was the scene of a convivial social gathering of the Hong Kong Singers and their friends last night, when an excellent and varied programme of music was offered. It is of interest to note that every item of the programme was contributed by the choir. Mr. Anderson Miller was in charge of arrangements, and everything went off without a hitch.

Among the artists that contributed to the success of the evening were Mrs. Miller, Frau Luring, Herren C. Leopold, H. Leidler (German folk songs), Miss Prue Lewis (violin), Mr. Lindsay A. LaFord (piano), Dr. Ride and choir, Mrs. H. Lockhart Smith (soprano), Mr. A. A. Barton (solo), Mrs. H. L. Shaw (folk song), Mr. A. V. Sanders (soprano), Mr. and Mrs. Eveille and Mrs. M. H. Arnold (instrumental trio) and Mr. P. C. Frost (folk song). Throughout the programme Mr. E. O'Neill Shaw was the accompanist.

The gathering is the first of its nature, and those responsible for its conception are to be congratulated upon the success of the scheme.

During the course of the evening light refreshments were served. The programme included works from Brahms, Parry, Schubert, Wood, Dowland, Quilter, Gibbons, Stanford and many others.

VARIEITY ITEMS BY "INCOGNITOS"

A splendid Concert was given last night by the "Incognitos" at the Headquarters of the St. John Ambulance Brigade at Causeway Bay. The programme was composed of variety items, the majority of them of a very amusing character.

Credit is due to Mr. R. H. Lewis the producer for the good performance which was given. "Pop" Bolam distinguished himself with his caricatures of a Perfect "Lidy" and in a dual item with H. Mansfield, provided a most original and hilarious part of the evening's enjoyment.

Other members of this versatile cast were Messrs. C. R. Trickett, Ray Collins, Warwick, H. Hazeldine, Eddie Hogben, Dan Mills, Jack Williams, Hugh Mansfield, and James French.

This was the last performance of the "Incognitos" before leaving for England which is a fact to be regretted.

MISSING AIRMEN LOCATED

Lost In Desert For Eight Days

Melbourne, April 22. A thrilling rescue of the three Air Force men who were lost in the desert in Central Australia eight days ago was accomplished when the airmen in a plane looking for them spotted the missing men at 2.30 p.m. this afternoon beside the smashed plane which crashed in the timberland.

Food and water was lowered to them and a lorry will be sent to-morrow to bring them back.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

REMARKABLE FALL IN ITALY'S TRADE

Sanctions Committee's Investigations

"Hong Kong Daily Press" Special

Geneva, Apr. 22.

A report on the effect produced on Italy's foreign trade by the application of sanctions which was read by Chairman Westmann at Tuesday's session of the Supervisory Committee, appointed by the Sanctions Committee of Eighteen, and which has now been published by the League Secretariat, contains some highly interesting information.

The report points out that Italian exports to 30 countries—which the latter have in previous years accounted for about 90 per cent. of Italian total exports—decreased from 17.3 million gold dollars in December 1935 to 5.86 millions last February. These figures include exports to those countries which do not apply Sanctions Proposal No. 3 which provides for the refusal of Italian goods.

Italian exports to countries which have enforced this embargo on Italian goods have become practically immaterial. Last January they amounted to 18 per cent. of the exports of January of the preceding year, while in February they had dropped to a bare 6 per cent.

The report deals at some length with gold exports from Italy, pointing out that, according to Italian press reports, the gold reserves of the Bank of Italy had, between October 20 and December 31, 1935, decreased to about 47.8 million gold dollars. Last January the outflow of gold continued at an accelerated pace, the net gold imports from Italy into 30 countries for which the returns were made, reaching a total of 27.2 million gold dollars while incomplete reports, so far

received for February, record gold imports from Italy at a value of 15.6 million gold dollars.

No reports have as yet been received for March but according to press statements a single gold shipment from Italy to Switzerland amounted to 13.7 million gold dollars.

On October 20, 1935, gold and foreign reserves in the Bank of Italy totalled 227.2 million gold dollars of which almost 50% had been exported till the beginning of March this year.

Westmann's report stresses, however, that no information is available concerning the amount of gold and foreign currencies which Italy may have been able to accumulate since last October.

Lancaster News Service.

OUR SWATOW LETTER

S.S. "Hiram" Strikes Rock

(From Our Own Correspondent) Swatow, April 20.

A sad disaster has befallen the Norwegian steamer "Hiram" on Sunday morning at 5.30 o'clock when, due to a heavy fog, she struck a rock near Green Island just outside the Swatow bar.

The "Hiram" was on a voyage from Bangkok to Swatow. Besides having on board 355 deck passengers, she was carrying a full general cargo, chiefly rice.

The impact on the rock must have been heavy as water has entered the Nos. 1 and 2 holds to the extent of fourteen feet deep. Fortunately the B. & S. steam ship "Klangsu," also bound from Bangkok to Swatow, was in the vicinity of the disaster and succeeded in transferring on board her the 355 passengers and taking them into port in the afternoon. The tug Henry Keswick has arrived from Hong Kong and is standing by. It is not yet known whether any salvage operations have commenced.

A feature of coincidence is that the disaster took place in the same vicinity as when in 1924 the Japanese s.s. "Fukki Maru" struck a rock and became a total loss.

The "Hiram" is a steamer sailing under Norwegian flag and of 1,105 tons, and under the command of Captain E. R. Hannevig. She is one of a fleet of four vessels trading regularly between Bangkok, Swatow and Hong Kong, her sister ships being the "Hellas," "Hellas" and the "Hermos." Thorsen & Co., are the Hong Kong agents; Poling & Co., being the local agents.

Latest advice from Swatow states that the vessel has been refloated with the aid of the tug Henry Keswick.

A part of the cargo of rice which the ship was carrying was discharged into lighters before the vessel was refloated. The s.s. Hiram then continued to Swatow to complete her unloading and for a temporary inspection to be carried out. She will be returning to Hong Kong on Saturday next to go into dock here for a thorough inspection.

The Henry Keswick will accompany the ship on her trip down the coast, though she will proceed under her own steam.

NO TIN QUOTA FIXED

The Hague, April 22. No quota for the third quarter was fixed at the International Tin Committee meeting to-day. The next meeting will be held in London on May 26.—*Reuter.*

NEWS SUMMARY

Despite the lower trend of trade in China last year, the vessels of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Ltd. cut their losses by half, it was revealed at the annual meeting of the Company yesterday. Last year, the Steamers Working Accounts showed a loss of £27,344-11.6d. as compared with a loss of £45,888.15.3d. for 1934.

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An English-speaking unemployed man, giving his name as Hajer Karim Ismail, alias Ah Man, alias Edward Baines, alias Francis Arthur, aged 32, pleaded guilty before Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy yesterday to attempting to obtain \$15 from Mr. W. G. Fitz Gibbon, of the Public Works Department, by falsely pretending that his wife had died and that he was in need of \$55 for funeral expenses.

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Speaking on behalf of the Unofficials on the Bill to make provision for a levy on Government servants' salaries at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock suggested the appointment of a small Commission to enquire into certain specified points.

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Presiding at the annual general meeting of the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., at noon yesterday, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo made reference to the continued smuggling of goods into Canton, a subject which was also touched upon by Captain W. E. Kirby.

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A former pupil of St. Paul's College, Ki Sai-cheung, alias Vincent Ki, 25, appeared on remand before Mr. E. H. Elmsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday charged with obtaining \$50 by false pretences. He was accused of obtaining the money from Man Kam-sing, 16, Li Tak-chuen, 16, Li Tak-chuen, 16, Mak Chak-tong, 18, Lo Kwan, and Li Han-man, purporting to be able to obtain employment for them as apprentice electricians at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co.

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ATTEMPT TO DISLODGE TAIYUAN WARLORD

Japanese Report

Peiping, Apr. 22.

For the purpose of ousting General Yen Hsi-shan, pacification commissioner for the Taiyuan area, Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang d-puty-commander of the anti-bandit expeditionary forces for Northwestern China, has recently concluded a secret agreement with the Chinese Communist army, according to Domei (Japanese) News Agency.

Marshal Chang reportedly has persuaded the Communist leaders to suspend hostilities in Shansi and Kansu provinces preparatory to a concerted drive in Shansi to expel the Taiyuan warlord, says Domei.

The reported secret agreement also provides for Red encroachments on Hopei, Chahar and Suiyuan provinces, after succeeding in which the Communist army would be incorporated into the "Anti-Japanese National Salvation Army."

Japanese sources cannot confirm this report.—*Union News.*

The dog was removed to Kennedy Town for observation. A five-year-old boy, Chan Chun-kwong, son of a female servant employed at 17 Peak Road, the residence of Mr. A. Bradley, was bitten by a red setter dog, belonging to Mr. Bradley, on Tuesday. The boy received treatment at the C.O.H., and the dog was removed to Kennedy Town for observation.

One case each of diphtheria and measles were reported to the Health Authorities for the 24 hours ended on Tuesday.

The Final Concert of the Season will be given at the Helena May to-day at 9.15 p.m. Prices will be as usual; Members 40 cents, Non-members 50 cents, Service men 30 cents.

The following telegrams are lying unclaimed at the offices of the Great Northern Telegraph Co. (Ltd.):—D. W. Smith c/o American Consulate (3 telegrams retransmitted from Shanghai and Tokyo) from Southend, Indiana and Soerabaya; Sears Chiffant from Yokohama; Teyoku from Hakodate, and Mr. Kiyoshi Wakana c/o Tokyo Hotel from Yokohama.

ETHIOPIAN REGULARS JOIN ITALIANS

Events Preceding Capture Of Dessie

(“Hong Kong Daily Press” Special)

Addis Ababa, April 22. The Salale region between Addis Ababa and Gollam province, was bombed and gassed by Italian aviators on Monday as well as on Tuesday. Although both sides are striving hard to win the battle now in progress on the northern front, no decision had been reached up to Tuesday night. The Abyssinians so far have been able to hold their positions.

Foreign press correspondents in Debra Birhan have been advised to return to Addis Ababa by the Abyssinian High Command. The majority of the correspondents, however, preferred to stay in Debra Birhan for the time being, since they believe that the Italian advance will proceed much slower than had originally been expected.

The Abyssinians apparently were able to offer serious resistance to the Italians. A report describing the events preceding the capture of Dessie by the Italians which has been received here from Debra Birhan, declares that the Amharic regulars serving in the Abyssinian army went over to the Italians and killed 20 men of the Crown Prince's bodyguard during the night. The fact that he could no longer rely on the loyalty of the troops at his disposal, so reports assert, caused the Crown Prince to evacuate the strongly fortified city without offering serious resistance.

An unconfirmed message from Debra Birhan asserts that Abyssinian columns burnt several Italian planes and a considerable quantity of fuel after encircling and capturing an Italian air force base to the northwest of Dessie. — *Transocean News Service.*

SASSABANEH SURROUNDED

Dessie, April 22. The Abyssinian forces which had been encircled by the Italians at Ghanakobo on the southern front were almost completely annihilated during an unsuccessful attempt to break through the Italian lines and reach Sassabaneh.

The Libyan detachments of the Italian army, as well as the mechanised division commanded by General Verne, particularly distinguished themselves in action. Sassabaneh itself is now completely encircled by Italian troops. — *Transocean News Service.*

BUILDINGS DESTROYED

Asmara, Apr. 22. Italian headquarters report that a closer examination of Dessie disclosed that numerous buildings belonging to the administration were destroyed by the inhabitants before the Italians marched in. All foreigners have left the town. — *Transocean News Service.*

GRAZIANI'S OFFENSIVE

Rome, Apr. 22. Despatches from Mogadishu state that Graziani's offensive is driving back the Abyssinians. The Arab division of the Italians which in a 60-hours fight took all the important Abyssinian positions near Ghanakobo, 50 miles west of Gorahai, has advanced altogether 64 miles in the last two days and are now situated 75 miles south-west of Sassabaneh, 25 miles south of Daga Modo. In Mogadishu it is believed that the strongly fortified Abyssinian positions along the 50-mile line between Sassabaneh and

ARABS DECIDE ON A GENERAL STRIKE

Friction in Palestine

(“Hong Kong Daily Press” Special)

Jerusalem, April 22. At the assembly of the all-Arab parties of Palestine at Jaffa on Tuesday night it was decided to proclaim a general strike throughout the land on Thursday but that the strike at Haifa would even begin on Wednesday. Only the bakers are to continue as usual, while all the other activities are to cease. The Arab newspapers attribute the recent disorders to Communist subversive propaganda among the masses in Palestine.

A police report announces that in new conflicts that have broken out on Tuesday night 14 Arabs and five Jews were wounded, while two Jews injured the day before have since died. The Arabs attempted to storm the Jewish colony at Hatikwah near Tel Aviv but were repulsed by the police. — *Transocean News Service.*

ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS FOR STOCKHOLM

Unknown Donor's Gift

(“Hong Kong Daily Press” Special)

Stockholm, April 22. An unusual gift of an anti-aircraft battery consisting of four automatic guns of the latest type has been made to the city of Stockholm by an anonymous donor according to press reports here on Wednesday. The battery which is estimated to be worth one-quarter of a million kroner was constructed in Bofors works—the largest arms factory in Sweden—and has been placed at the disposal of the local air defence league by the municipal authorities. — *Transocean News Service.*

ADVANCE ON HARRAR

Little Opposition Expected

(“Hong Kong Daily Press” Special)

Asmara, Apr. 21.

The latest reports received here from the Italian headquarters appear to show that the battle in Ogaden did not as previously reported result in a complete annihilation of Ras Nassibu's army, since only the Abyssinian advance guards were apparently engaged in fighting in the Sassabaneh region. Opinion prevails here, however, that the Italian successes will enable General Graziani to push on to Harrar without meeting much resistance.

All signs point to Graziani's intention to press on as rapidly as possible but it is not at all certain when the northern army will resume its forward movement south of Dessie, although it is generally anticipated here that the Italian armies will succeed in attaining their ultimate goal, that is, the occupation of Addis Ababa by the end of this month or the beginning of the month of May at the very latest.

During their advance to Dessie the Italian troops were provisioned by means of air planes. From April 7 to 19 the Askari Division has during its march southwards been supplied from air planes with a total of 120 tons of provisions so that the soldiers had no need of utilising their reserve of rations.

The transfer of the headquarters from Makale to Dessie was also accompanied by the arrival at Dessie of Marshal Badoglio and his staff was marked by considerable ceremony. After landing in the Dessie air port the Marshal was driven to city bounds in a luxurious motor car which once belonged to the Negus and was captured by the Italians at the battle at Lake Ashangi. Surrounded by his staff and escorted by a detachment of Askaris, Badoglio then rode on horseback through the city to the Italian Consulate where he was received by a delegation of local chieftains and priests who formally made their submission. — *Transocean News Service.*

BLACK FORCES SCATTERED

Pursued By Italian Troops

(“Hong Kong Daily Press” Special)

Rome, Apr. 21.

Hopes that the birthday of the city of Rome would coincide with the news of the capture of Addis Ababa were disappointed by an official communique issued on Tuesday and which appears to indicate that the operations on the northern front have come to a temporary standstill.

Marshal Badoglio telegraphs that the victory gained by General Graziani's army in the North of Danane in the province of Ogaden is having serious consequences for the Abyssinian forces who have been scattered all along the caravan roads and are being pursued by the Italian troops.

The Motorized Detachment had on Monday reached localities more than 100 kilometres from their points of departure. The Libyan Division which is composed exclusively of volunteers from our Mediterranean Colonies has in the course of fierce fighting in recent days given convincing proof of their mettle. Despite the unfavourable atmospheric conditions the Air Force have contributed materially towards the victory, while the detachments of Engineers rendered valuable services in securing the lines of communication thus ensuring supplies.

On the northern front the tribal chiefs in the region west of Takaze river continue to make their submission. The headquarters of our troops have been transferred to Dessie. — *Transocean News Service.*

NEW AIRPORT FOR LONDON

London, April 22.

The proposal to acquire 1,000 acres of land near Hford, Essex, to be laid out at an estimated cost of £600,000 as a new airport for London, will be considered by the Council of the Common Council of the City of London to-morrow. — *British Wireless.*

DAILY ARRESTS IN SPAIN

“Purge” Of Army And Civil Guard

(“Hong Kong Daily Press” Special)

Madrid, April 22.

As an outcome of the decisions reached at the Council of Ministers on Monday, the Governors of the numerous provinces have during the last few days proceeded to arrest all the ringleaders of the Fascist Party. The Spanish Phalanx which was declared to be illegal.

In Cuenca, Avila, Bilbao, and Seville and other cities the Fascist leaders are being seized daily, the total arrested throughout Spain being estimated at more than two thousand.

Semi-officially it is announced that these persons were taken into custody merely for their own protection against attacks from the extreme Left Wingers.

“The purge” of Army and Civil Guard is continuing, the Home Minister having published a decree in Tuesday's issue of the “Gazeta de Madrid” putting one colonel, three majors and two lieutenants of the Civil Guard “on leave.” Numerous officers have been transferred to strange garrisons. — *Transocean News Service.*

SILVER MARKET

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, April 22.

London Silver prices to-day were down 5/16 as follows:—

Spot 20-9/16 20-1/4

Forward 20-9/18 20-1/4

RECESSION OF MANDATES

British Attitude Reaffirmed

London, Apr. 21.

Replying on the motion for adjournment of the House of Commons, a Conservative member, Mr. Alfred R. Wise, to-day demanded a pledge that the Government would not consider recession where any of the mandated territories were concerned.

Mr. J. H. Thomas, the Colonial Secretary, replied that the recent statements of himself and Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, on this subject applied to Crown Colonies as well as mandated territories. Britain possessed no advantages and privileges over other countries, and if the question of transfer of mandates ever arose it would not be for England alone; for Australia, New Zealand and South Africa also had mandates.

Britain would not consider handing over any mandates unless the whole question, as far as Empire mandates were concerned, was also reviewed.

There was also the question of mandates affecting France and Belgium.

Moreover, the inhabitants of the mandated territories themselves would have to be consulted before any change in their status was undertaken, for their interest had to be considered. — *Reuter.*

FRENCH PRESS NOT OPTIMISTIC

Paris, Apr. 21.

Pessimism continues to inspire the French press comments on the outcome of the Geneva deliberations, the “Intransigent” observing that the majority of the diplomats who assembled there were taking a distinctly unfavourable impression home with them. The paper goes on to say that although the failure of the efforts of mediation in the Italo-Abyssinian conflict has been expected, hope has, nevertheless, been entertained of a Franco-British rapprochement and then of the reduction of the Anglo-Italian tension. Monday's events, however, destroyed all such illusions according to the “Intransigent” which adds that while Mr. Eden and M. Paul Boncour agree so long as to remain confined to vague generalities, profound differences separating the two statesmen will immediately manifest themselves when the necessity arises in taking up a clear position regarding the Abyssinian question. — *Transocean News Service.*

GENERAL VON SEECKT

Seventieth Birthday Anniversary

(“Hong Kong Daily Press” Special)

Berlin, April 22.

One of the foremost German Army leaders of the World War, General Hans von Seeckt, on his seventieth birthday on Wednesday was in excellent health.

Von Seeckt achieved universal celebrity when, as Chief of Staff under Field Marshal von Mackensen, he organised the campaign against the Russians in Gallatia in the Spring of 1915 which resulted in a break-through of the Russian line at the battle of Gorlice.

Later von Seeckt took the leading part in the victorious campaign in Serbia in 1917 and till the end of the war occupied the post of Chief Turkish General of Staff.

After the war von Seeckt assumed the formidable task of organising the new German Reichswehr. In 1926 von Seeckt was placed on the retired list and he spent some years subsequently in China where the Government conferred on him one of its highest orders as a token of its appreciation of his services.

Von Seeckt is the author of numerous books on military subjects which have attracted much attention. — *Transocean News Service.*

PRESS VIEWS ON BUDGET

Income Tax Increase Unpopular

London, Apr. 22.

The Budget is generally received by the press as unexpectedly elaborate and severe, but is accepted with a Spartan resignation and approval of the orthodox decision to meet the whole increase in expenditure from revenue.

Commentators record that the proposals got a gloomy reception in the House of Commons where it was apparent that many Conservatives hoped Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, would raise a defence loan earlier than is now projected.

Others think the Chancellor would have been wiser to suspend the sinking fund payments rather than increase taxation when industry is recovering, but the majority of papers agree it is best to bring home to the country the real implications of the defence programme.

The necessity for raising the income tax is questioned both by the “Daily Telegraph” and “Financial Times.” The latter says there is some tendency in the City to think that Mr. Chamberlain erred on the side of caution, though there is no doubt Britain stands higher in the world's estimation by choosing stringent taxation in preference to borrowing.

The Liberal and Labour press is apprehensive that worse years are ahead, portended by the precedent of this year's Budget. — *Reuter.*

PARTY OPPOSITION

London, Apr. 21.

The Budget proposals are not enthusiastically received in lobby circles, although the integrity of the financial principles on which it is based are freely recognised.

Many Conservative members regard such a budget as inevitable, especially in view of the needs of National defence. But opposition is voiced in some Conservative quarters to the increases in the income tax and tea duty, which they declare, will be unpopular with the country.

In view of Mr. Neville Chamberlain's announcement regarding the cost of national defence, which he believes is bound to be upward, prominent Labour members express their dismay at the prospect of future budgets. They argue that future armament programmes can only be met by the imposition of still greater taxes. — *Reuter.*

REMILITARISATION OF DARDANELLES

Greece To Participate In Geneva Conference

Athens, April 22.

The Greek Government has agreed to participate in the conference at Geneva on the Turkish proposal to remilitarise the Dardanelles. — *Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

BUDGET NEWS REACTION ON MARKET

Steady Tone After Early Disappointment

London, April 22.

The Budget news, which the “Financial Times” apply calls Spartan finance, has brought home to the City the gravity of the defence demands which, however, are considered a cheap insurance against the dangers arising from the persisting rearmament race. Nevertheless, apart from gilt-edged securities which, as expected, bore the brunt of the unfavourable news, the Stock Exchange stood up well.

General satisfaction is expressed that the Chancellor maintained his customary financial orthodoxy, while the money market infers from the decision not to raise long-term loans yet that the Government will cover the requirements on short-term basis until short loans show signs of drying up. — *Reuter.*

London, April 22.

In concluding his Budget speech in the Commons yesterday, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said it was a bitter disappointment to him as he feared it would be to the country that he felt compelled to ask for new sacrifices of taxpayers.

He justified those of which the most important are the increase of three pence in the pound in the standard rate of income tax and increase from four pence to six pence per pound in customs duty on tea by pointing to the needs of national defence and in the course of his speech he foreshadowed recourse to a defence loan in later years.

Disappointment is echoed in some Conservative newspapers to-day, regret being expressed that the call upon taxpayers was not

reserved till the financial necessity had become unchallengeable and the Chancellor had to decide what proportion of emergency expenditure on armaments should be found out of the revenue of the year and what proportion it was reasonable to raise by way of loan.

MARKETS STEADY

On the Stock Exchange this morning a sentiment of disappointment was at first apparent and there was a tendency of values to become somewhat reactionary, especially in the gilt-edged section. But as the morning progressed this attitude changed and later the Budget proposals, which are approved for their orthodoxy, were received with satisfaction and markets developed steadiness. British funds in particular showing appreciable recovery. — *British Wireless.*

INCREASE IN DUTY ON TEA

Loophole For Eastern Competition

London, April 22.

The increase in tea duty is not believed to be the result of shrinkage in consumption, but the expectation of diversion of demand to inferior grades has caused a farthing rise in the cheaper teas. It is anticipated that since the rise diminishes the preference on Empire teas from half to one-third of the duty levied on foreign teas, which are non-restrictionist, China and Japan will be encouraged to invade the British tea market with the cheapest qualities at the expense of restrictionist countries. — *Reuter.*

GENERAL UYEDA WELCOMED

First Visit Since His Appointment

Harbin, Apr. 22.

General Uyeda and suite in three planes escorted by twelve others arrived this morning on his first visit since his appointment. The streets were lined with school children and representatives of Japanese, Manchukuo and Russian organisations. — *Reuter.*

PARIS TAXI-DRIVERS ON STRIKE

(“Hong Kong Daily Press” Special)

Paris, April 22.

The streets which are usually so congested with swiftly moving traffic, wore a strange deserted look to-day owing to a strike which has broken out among a section of taxi-drivers aggregating some thousands in a protest against the introduction of cheaper tariff for two-seater taxis.

Most of the several thousand chauffeurs on strike are themselves taxi-owners. The big companies, however, have agreed to lower their rates. The strike is intended to last 24 hours. — *Transocean News Service.*

TRADE BOOM IN NEW ZEALAND

Wellington, Apr. 21.

Trade returns for New Zealand for the year ended March 31 show an increase of £4,750,000.

The Premier announces that the Government is adopting the 40-hour week in all Government works. He stated: “We cannot expect private industrial and commercial enterprises to swallow this Government medicine unless the Government is prepared to swallow it itself.” — *Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

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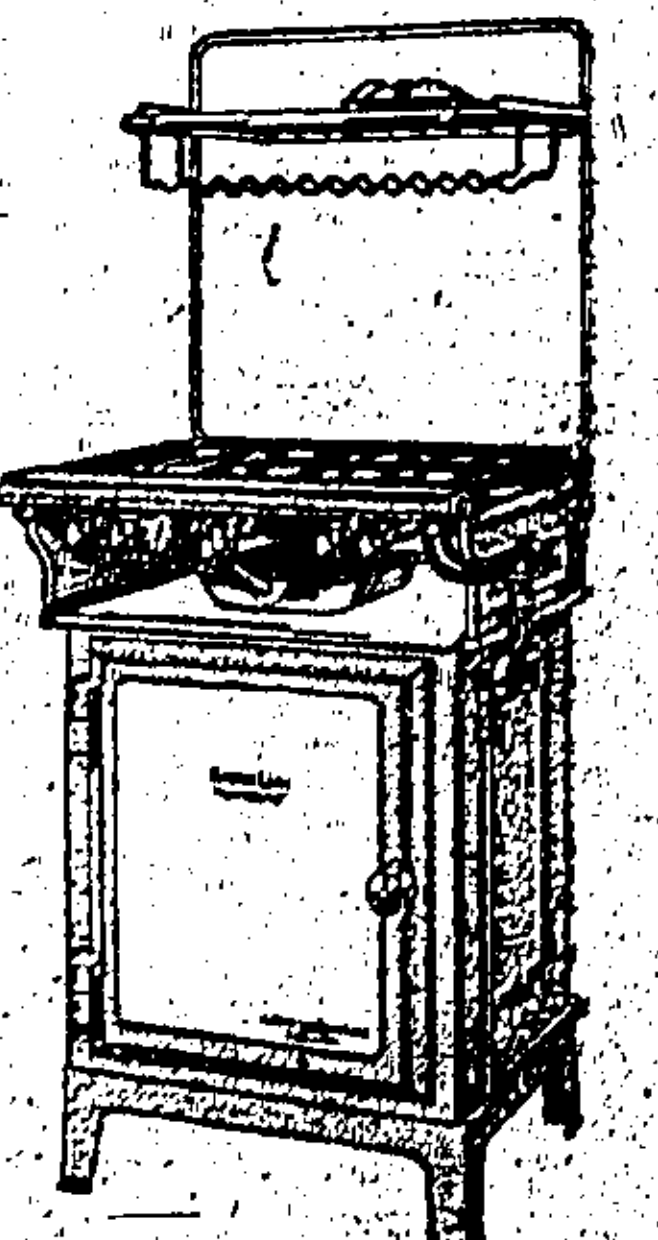
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TSUI BROTHERS WIN

Final Carried To Five Sets

[BY "ADREM"]

At one period in yesterday's tennis final, I feel that any book-maker would have given about ten to one on Fincher and Hung winning the doubles championship of the Colony. After winning the first stanza, they dropped the second but completely out-played their opponents in the third, to annex it for the loss of but two games. They started off very confidently in the fourth set and were leading 2-1 40/30 on Fincher's service, when after a rally, one of the Tsui's lobbed the ball back deep to Hung who being under the impression that it was out, did not play it. However, the umpire ruled it right and the point was given to the Tsui. Hung was obviously upset by this and it came as no surprise when the score became two all instead of 3-1. I understand that the Tsui's actually did give the ball out but was not heard by the umpire.

K.C.C. PAIR ON TOP

The K.C.C. combination started serving and until one sees a match of this description it is difficult to realize what a great advantage this is. In each of the five sets, they started with service and in a game largely controlled by service, especially earlier on, this was of vital importance. Hung, serving very accurately, won the first game and thereafter games went with service until at 7-6 in their favour, the Kowloon players broke through Wal-pui's service to draw first blood.

So well had the Tsui's served, that it was not until twelfth game on Yun-pui's service that Fincher and Hung managed to hold a lead of 0-30 and 15-40.

The second set was a repetition of the first until five all was called when a break-through on Hung's service, saw the Tsui's go out at 7-5. A feature of this set was the fine overhead work of Hung. Times without number he scored with beautifully placed smashes that left the opposition standing. Fincher was playing a very brainy game and made most of the openings and all four players were on the top of their form.

Fincher and Hung, playing first-class tennis, jumped into a 3-1 in the third set but in the vital fifth game they missed two sitters at the net for a 4-1 lead before they finally clinched the issue and after breaking through Wal-pui's service for the second time took this stanza, 6-2.

REGRETTABLE INCIDENT

At the beginning of the fourth set, the Kowloon players appeared to have the match well in hand, as I have already explained, the regrettable umpiring incident occurred and a complete change came over the game. The Tsui's regained the confidence that they were beginning to lose and with the opposition becoming weak in the lobbing, they took the set at 6-4.

The final set was just a walk-over. 5-0 was called before the losers took two games to make the final score 6-2.

The complete scores were: Tsui Wal-pui and Tsui Yun-pui beat E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung 6-8, 7-5, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2.

THRILLING EXCHANGES

The game proved to be most interesting to watch with many fast and thrilling exchanges. All four players volleyed very well and except for occasional lapses, the lobbing was also good. Hung and the elder Tsui were inclined to be a bit weak with their forehands in returning service and in the fourth set the latter, who appeared to be tiring, was also slow in following up his service which, probably accounted for him losing two games. I think Fincher was easily the best player on the court. He was always scheming and so far as I could see, his only weakness was in dealing with short lobs, when he did not show enough severity. Hung was also good, and as a combination, which after all is comparatively new, they showed a much better understanding than their conquerors except that they were inclined to crowd each other in going for lobs.

The Tsui's are going to take a lot of detouring. With Yun-pui improving and with another season's tennis together, I would not be at all surprised to see them occupy for some years the position the Rumjahn's have held for so long.

At the conclusion of the match, Mr. Dick Hancock in introducing Miss Anne Dodwell, who distrib-

ONE GOAL EACH DRAW

Kowloon F.C. And Recreio

Kowloon Football Club playing at home, drew with the Recreio yesterday after a dull encounter, one all, the Recreio evening matters a few minutes before full time, with a splendid header by B. Gosano, from a kick taken at the corner flag.

Play throughout the game was desultory, and "the end of the season" feeling was much in evidence. Considering the fact that the Recs fielded a team composed of, in the main, their second string players, a draw with Kowloon was a creditable performance. The home team on the other hand, were without the services of "Paddy" Boyes, half back, which materially weakened the defence. "Jock" McKelvie, veteran player of the Mainland side, made an appearance on the left wing, in place of Henniball, while Joe Eastman (Skipper) played a good game in the half back line, instead of his customary place as full back.

At half time, Kowloon were leading by one goal to nil. G. White was fouled in the penalty area, and he majorised the spot kick, that was only partially cleared by the Recs. custodian.

Play in the second half saw the Recs, enjoy most of the exchanges. Towards the end of the game, they attacked incessantly and kept Boyd busy. Boyd played brilliantly between the sticks, but a misunderstanding between Willis and him led to a goal not many minutes from full time. Willis in attempting to clear passed the ball back but the goalkeeper had rushed out to gather the ball. Willis actually kicked past the unsuspecting keeper, and the ball narrowly missed the upright. From the resultant corner, Gosano converted a neat kick with his head to beat Boyd. A. V. Gosano was missed in the Recreio line-out. A draw was a fair indication of the run of play, though it must be admitted that Boyd had far more work to do than the Portuguese custodian.

STRUGGLE BETWEEN ARMY TEAMS

The East Lancs. drew with the Royal Ulster Rifles, one all after a boisterous match, in which no quarter was asked or given. The game was played at Chatham Road ground and attracted a good crowd of Chinese spectators, who were treated to a fine exhibition of goal keeping by both custodians. The East Lancs scored first through Sandford, the Army forward, but the Riflemen equalised a few minutes before half time when Ferguson netted with a hard drive. The second half saw both goals undergo narrow escapes, with the Riflemen decided unlucky in the closing minutes of a hard fought game. Just before full time the East Lancs, goalie brought off a smart save, with a spectacular clearance over the bar. Though the game was hard fought, it was clean, and well handled, there being comparatively few fouls.

ed the prizes, said that they had been very fortunate with the weather in that not a single day's play had been interrupted. "For the first time in twelve years," he said, "there were new doubles champions." He paid an eloquent tribute to the Rumjahn's and advised all aspirants to tennis honours to model themselves on those two very fine sportsmen. He was sorry that they had been unable to have any mixed doubles, but hoped that some of the younger ladies would rally round and make it possible next year. In conclusion, he thanked Mr. Mackenzie and the tennis sub-committee, especially Mr. Gordon, for all the hard work that they had put in and then called on Miss Dodwell to present the prizes.

PRIZE WINNERS

The complete results were: Open Singles: Winner, Tsui Wal-pui; Runner-up, H. D. Rumjahn. Open Doubles: Winners, Tsui Wal-pui and Tsui Yun-pui; Runners-up, E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung. Club Championship: Winner, L. Goldman; Runner-up, M. Pagh. Handicap Singles: Winner, M. Pagh; Runner-up, W. A. S. Grant. Handicap Doubles: Winners, W. P. Lucy and R. A. Phillimore; Runners-up, B. O'M. Deane and G. E. R. Dwyer. Miss Dodwell was then presented with a silver vase, filled with flowers tied with the Club colours.

HOME FOOTBALL FORECASTS

(BY FORWARD)

The following are the League fixtures for Saturday, the 25th instant. The teams in bold type are tipped to win:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE—DIVISION I.

Mileage	1935-36	1934-35
ASTON VILLA	100 v. Blackburn	4-0 1-1 1-1
BOLTON	194 v. Arsenal	0-4 — —
BRENTFORD	120 v. West Brom.	— — — —
DERBY	140 v. Sunderland	3-0 0-0 3-1
EVERTON	80 v. Birmingham	4-1 2-0 2-0
HUDDERSFIELD	25 v. Manchester C.	1-0 1-0 3-0
MIDDLESBORO	140 v. Stoke	— — 6-1 2-0
PORTSMOUTH	210 v. Grimsby	— — 1-0 —
PRESTON N.E.	50 v. Leeds	— — 0-2 —
WEDNESDAY	80 v. Liverpool	3-0 1-2 4-1
WOLVES	121 v. Chelsea	1-2 1-1 6-1

DIVISION II.

BARNLEY	180 v. Southampton	— — 1-1
BRADFORD C.	70 v. Notts F.	2-2 3-2 4-0
Burnley	100 v. LEICESTER	— — — —
CHARLTON	197 v. Bradford	0-2 — —
FULHAM	191 v. Swansea	3-1 1-0 4-1
Hull C.	80 v. SHEFFIELD U.	— — 0-3
MANCHESTER U.	9 v. Bury	1-3 2-1 1-0
NEWCASTLE	110 v. Blackpool	1-2 — 4-1
PLYMOUTH	285 v. Norwich	— — 0-1
Port Vale	149 v. WEST HAM	4-0 0-0 2-2
TOTTENHAM	163 v. Doncaster	— — — —

DIVISION III. (SOUTH)

BOURNEMOUTH	80 v. Swindon	5-1 1-1 1-1
BRISTOL R.	85 v. Exeter	1-0 1-1 5-5
CARDIFF	80 v. Torquay	2-1 0-1 1-1
CLAPTON O.	52 v. Brighton	2-0 2-1 6-0
CRYSTAL P.	115 v. Bristol C.	2-2 0-1 3-1
GILLINGHAM	80 v. Aldershot	5-2 1-2 1-1
LUTON	120 v. Coventry	4-1 0-1 4-0
Northampton	80 v. Watford	0-0 1-0 1-0
NOTTS C.	162 v. Newport	— — — —
READING	79 v. Millwall	— — 2-1
Southend	— v. QUEEN'S P.R.	0-1 0-2 2-0

DIVISION III. (NORTH)

Barrow	60 v. TRANMERE	2-0 1-3 1-0
CHESTERFIELD	150 v. Carlisle	— — 4-0 3-0
CREWE	60 v. Mansfield	7-0 2-1 1-1
LINCOLN	70 v. Halifax	— — 2-3
New Brighton	220 v. Walsall	2-2 2-0 2-2
ROCHDALE	75 v. Darlington	1-1 1-0 1-3
SOUTHPORT	42 v. Wrexham	0-0 1-1 2-1
STOCKPORT	110 v. Hartlepool	6-2 5-2 3-2
YORK	80 v. Gateshead	2-2 1-1 3-0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

ABROATH	v. Airdrie	— — — —
ALBION R.	v. Queen's Park	— — 0-0
CLYDE	v. Queen of South	— — 3-1 1-2
DUNFERMLINE	v. Hibernians	2-2 — 2-1
HEARTS	v. Aberdeen	3-1 0-0 2-1
Kilmarnock	v. RANGERS	2-0 1-3 1-3
MOTHERWELL	v. Dundee	6-1 1-0 5-3
Partick T.	v. CELTIC	3-0 0-3 1-3
ST. JOHNSTONE	v. Hamilton	2-0 5-1 3-1
THIRD LANARK	v. Ayr	5-1 3-7 —

H. K. RIFLE ASSOCN.

Prize Meeting Programme

At a meeting held on Tuesday evening, it was decided by the Bisle Committee that the following alterations should be made to the Programme:—

- 1.—A cash prize of one hundred dollars should be added to the prize list for the competition for His Excellency the Governor's Prizes; thus the winner of this event will "take His Excellency's Prize, one Association Silver Medal with ribbon and bar, and One Hundred Dollars in cash. The remaining prizes will be unchanged.
- 2.—Teams for both the Inter-Universities Match and for the Public Schools Veterans Challenge Trophy, will consist of two persons only, and not three as shown in the Programme. This alteration had been made in response to the many requests which have been received from those interested who find themselves unable to form the necessary teams owing to not more than two members, from any one school or university being available.
- 3.—It is hoped to arrange for an additional match to be fired on Monday, May 4th, in the presence of His Excellency the Governor, between three senior members of the Hong Kong Colonial Service (excluding the Hong Kong Police Force, which it is hoped will furnish a team separately), the Royal Navy, Regular Army, Royal Air Force, Naval Volunteers and Volunteer Defence Corps.
- 4.—The Association will award silver medals to the team taking first place and bronze medals to the team following.
- 5.—The scores to count in the Grand Aggregate will be those made in the competitions shown below, and not as given in the Programme:—
"Blackdown"
"Cambridge"

ENGLISHMEN CELEBRATE

"St. George's Day To-day"

To-day is St. George's Day, and, under the auspices of the Hong Kong Society of St. George, the day is being observed in customary manner. The programme is as follows:—

Noon.—The President, supported by Past Presidents and Members of the General Committee, will lay a wreath at the Cenotaph. The President hopes members of the Society generally will attend this ceremony.

5.15 p.m.—By kind permission of Lt.-Col. A. C. March and Officers, the band of the 2nd Battalion The East Lancashire Regiment will give a concert of about one hour's duration. The venue of the concert is to be the ground of the Hong Kong Cricket Club. The programme of music to be played is as follows:—

- 1.—March "The Standard of St. George."—Alford.
- 2.—Selection "Merrie England."—German.
- 3.—Cornet Solo "Land of Hope and Glory."—Elgar.
- 4.—Selection of Sea Songs arr. Winter.
- 5.—Fantasia "The Rose."—arr. Myddleton.

"Brookwood"
"Siberia."

Final practices for the Prize Meeting will be held, by the courtesy of the naval authorities, on the Stonecutters range, commencing at 2 p.m. on Saturday next April 25th, and at 10 a.m. on Sunday morning, April 26th.

Special launch accommodation will be arranged leaving the R.A.S.C. Camber at 1 p.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m. on Sunday, calling en route at Queen's Pier, Kowloon, Sham Shui Po and Stonecutters East.

The return trip will be made leaving Stonecutters East immediately at the conclusion of the shoot on each day.
Fare, 20 or 30 cents per person.

TEAM RACE YACHTING

R.A. Beat R.E.

R.A. won by the narrow margin of three points in the Team Race with the R.E. held yesterday at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

The race started at 2.45 p.m., the course being Channel Rocks (P), Runney Shoal (P) N. Mark on line (P), twice round, a distance of 8 miles.

Details follow, the names in brackets being the observers:

R.A.	Pos.	Pts.
La Linda A5 Maj. Drénnon (Capt. Mitchell)	9	2
True Blue A11, Mr. O'Grady 5	6	6
Pat A12, Mr. P. Ramus (Mr. R. Stocker)	4	7
Rolla B3, Maj. Le Gros (Maj. Churcher)	2	9
Sirius G7, Lt.-Col. Carrington-Sykes (Capt. D. W. Perse)	6	5
Total	29	—

R.E.	Pos.	Pts.
Lobo A2, Col. Kirke (Capt. Thomas)	D.N.F.	—
Artemis A4, Maj. Edward (Col. Fordham)	3	8
Gall A9 (Capt. Sydal (Mr. Luckin)	7	4
Diana H1, Maj. Dixon (Capt. Eley)	1	11
Lola G8, Capt. Newman (Mr. Shearer)	8	3
Total	28	—

R.A. won by 3 points.

PHILLIES AND ATHLETIC LOSE

U.S. Baseball Results

New York, Apr. 22. The following were the results of the League baseball matches played yesterday:—

National League	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	6	9	1
New York	7	11	2
Moore and Mancuso hit home runs.	—	—	—
Boston	6	12	2
Brooklyn	6	15	2

Darkness ended the game. The games between Chicago Cubs and Pittsburgh Pirates and Cincinnati Reds and St. Louis Cardinals were postponed on account of rain.

American League	R.	H.	E.
New York	7	13	1
Dickey hit a home run.	—	—	—
Philadelphia	6	11	1
Washington	1	3	1
Boston	8	9	1

McNair hit a homer. The game was called in the seventh innings on account of the wet ground.

Due to the extraordinarily cold weather the matches between St. Louis Browns and Detroit Tigers and Cleveland Indians and Chicago White Sox were postponed.—
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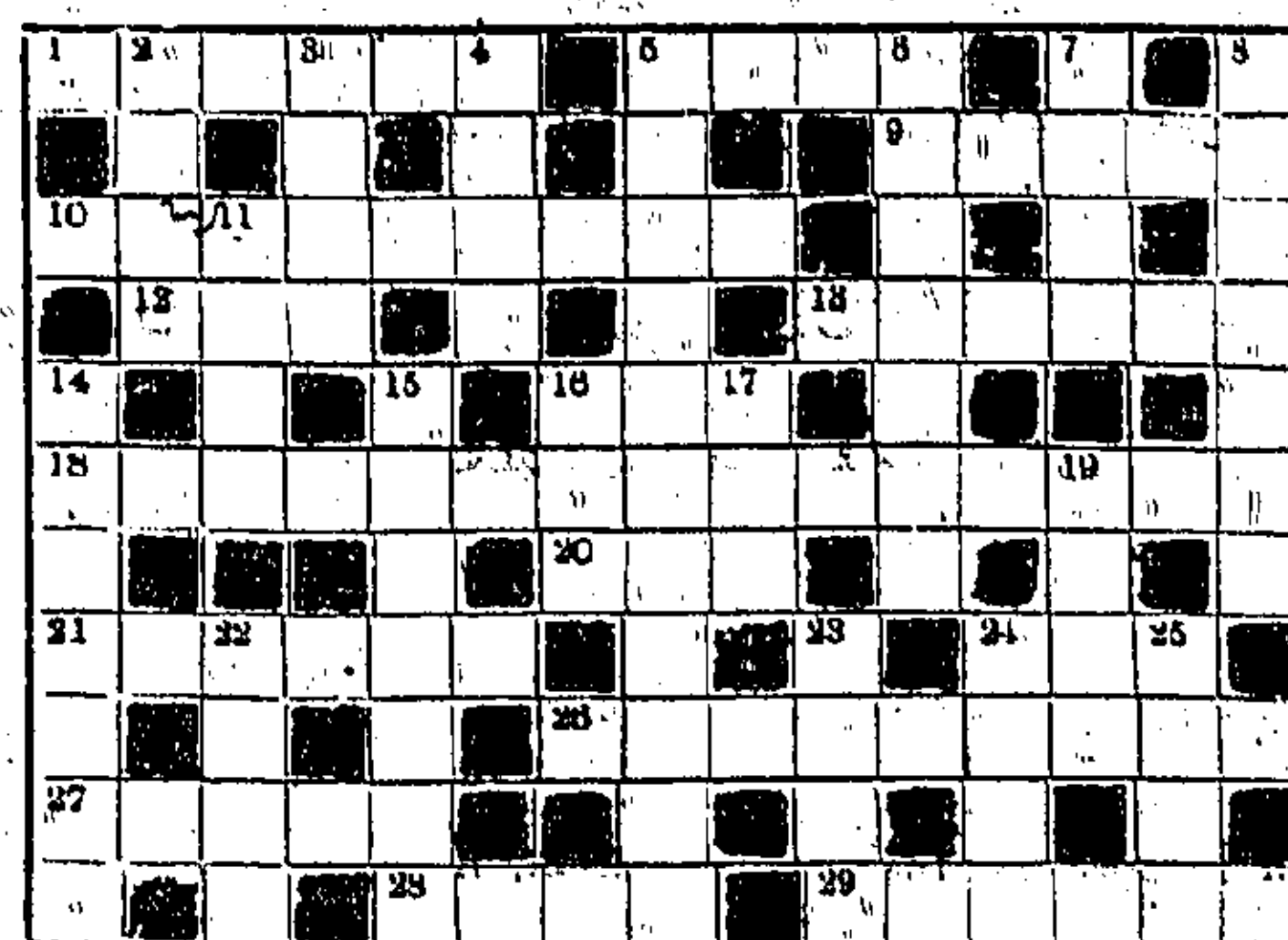
"SANDY" HERD'S JUBILEE

London, March 30. Alexander ("Sandy") Herd, the champion golfer in 1902, was piped into his jubilee dinner in London last night, when, with Mrs. Herd, he was the guest of honour of the Moor Park Golf Club, where he has been the professional for sixteen years.

Replying to Lord Leverhulme's welcome, and the presentation of a statuette of himself, a cheque, and a book of signatures, Mr. Herd expressed the opinion that British golf had revived and that the American domination had ended. "The birth of golf in England," he said, "was begun by Mr. A. J. Balfour and carried on by my good friends Harry Vardon and J. H. Taylor, who are both here to-night. I believe that Alfred Perry, our present open champion, who is also here, will go far to retaining the title this year, when I hope to play in the event for the fiftieth year."

Lord Leverhulme recalled that Mr. Herd had fifty years ago took a summer engagement at Portrush, Ireland, when 17, to compete in the Huddersfield in 1892; to Coombe Hill in 1912; and to Moor Park in 1920. Herd, from the open title at Huddersfield in 1892, was runner-up on four other occasions, and had accomplished a hole in one nineteen times.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



NOTE—Figures in parentheses indicate number of letters in the words required.

- Across
1. The innermost part of the temple (6).
 3. Wine, put on one side to be left (4).
 9. It looks like a diamond or a lozenge (5).
 10. Bathers get it when they're dipping in the sea, and come out dripping (9).
 12. To ram soil round a post is not much of a joke! (3).
 13. One has to pretend to make a snow (6).
 16. A kind of worm, seen on cricket pitches (3).
 19. One never agrees with a man who is this, and "who is determined" (anagram) (1b).
 20. An oblong mass of metal used for forging (3).
 21. With a fire this danger of being burnt is lessened (6).
 24. What an astonishing animal it was, so to speak (3).
 26. Eton may give a finish even to a stupid fellow (9).
 27. Perhaps you don't see the way you can do this! (5).
 28. A consonant waterfall, fit for a King's! (6).
 29. Truly, this is a great age! (6).
- Down
2. "O, play me some merry—" ("Romeo and Juliet") (4).
 3. At that time, a fowl ought to be brought in (4).
 4. To hide one's face may be just to disguise one's feelings (4).
 5. An offer to be considered (11).
 6. One can't go bowling on in this, when the light is unfavourable (7).
 7. One can spot this buffoon in a moment! (4).
 8. This is sure to end in low water! (7).
 11. What one may get in a good deal! (4).
 14. A clue for this would be inappropriate (7).
 15. Getting this with several flukes, one may be told to drop it! (7).
 16. Some regard this as impertinence (3).
 17. What solicitors generally do (3).
 19. This man is "a snapper-up of unconsidered trifles" (4).
 22. Hamper (4).
 23. One meaning of this is manifest (4).
 24. Here's another great age! (4).
 25. It will be kind if you try to solve this last clue (4).

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

The following is the solution of yesterday's puzzle:—

Across.—1, Re-buff; 6, Sall-ow; 10, Run down; 11, Belies; 12, Adhere; 13, A-scribe; 16, Sleek; 17, Sissal; 18, Image; 19, Cr-ass; 22, Pagan (a pang); 23, Trotter; 26, Tattoo; 30, Lotten; 31, Useless; 32, Recile; 33, T-end-on.

Down.—1, Re-bus; 2, Belle; 3, Freak; 4, Fuses; 5, Oder; 6, Swab; 7, Andes; 8, Looks; 9, Wheel; 14, Came-o; 15, Ingot; 19, Cater; 20, Attic; 21, Stout; 23, Prose; 23, Gated; 24, Ninon; 25, Rose; 27, Tell; 28, Erst.

HOME GOLF

GOLF BALL ON A MACKINTOSH

Cotton In A Dispute

Flee, April 2.

Henry Cotton, British Open Champion two years, and one of the leading figures in the world of golf, was involved in a curious incident, which caused controversy, in the £2,000 tournament on the Bramshot course here to-day.

At the twelfth hole Cotton's tee shot came to rest on a spectator's mackintosh, which was lying on the ground near the green. Cotton asked the spectator to remove the garment, which he did, at the same time picking up the ball and replacing it. Cotton then played the shot.

The question arose: Had Cotton incurred a penalty?

The rule on the point states clearly that a ball lying on clothes may be dropped or placed by the player not nearer the hole, without penalty.

By allowing the spectator to perform the act Cotton, strictly speaking, committed a breach of the rules, involving a penalty of two strokes. From the point of view of equity the committee, quite rightly I think, decided that Cotton had incurred no penalty.

Cotton's round of 75, which put him out of the running, was full of incident. On more than one occasion, in obvious annoyance at missing a short putt, he banged the ball on the green.

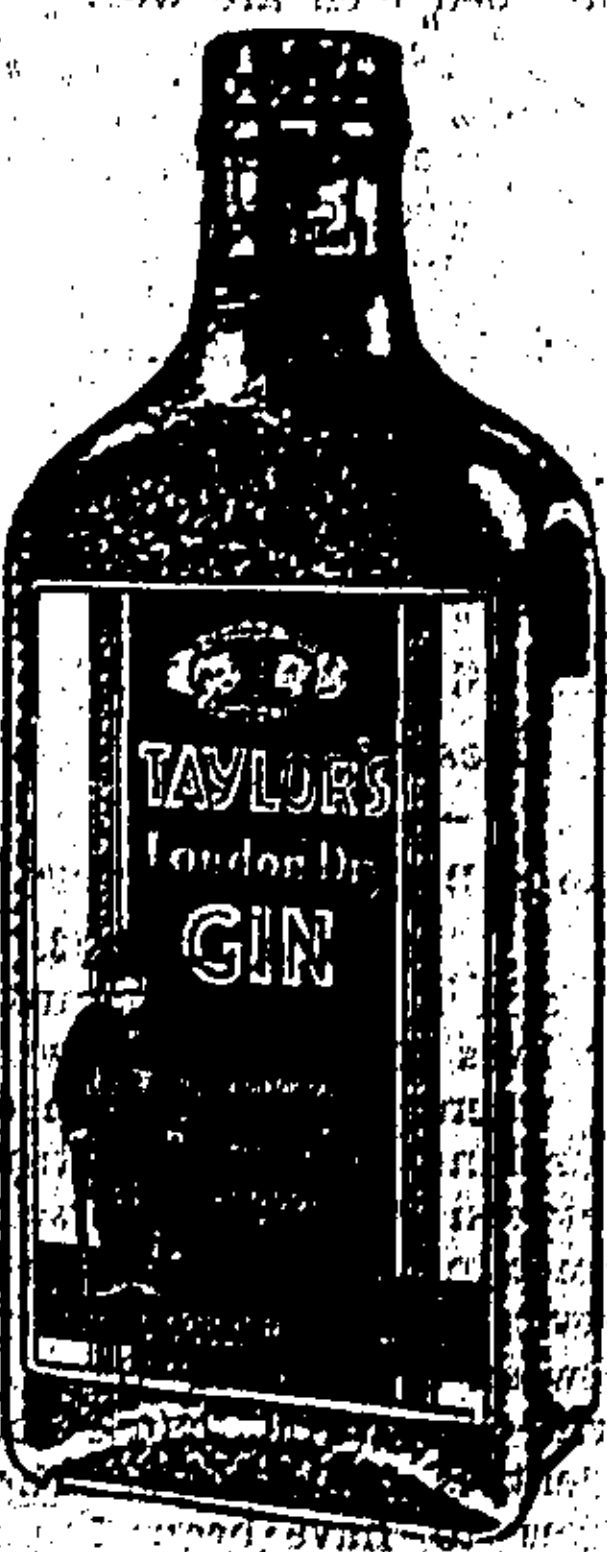
"I took 39 putts, missing seven of 6 ft. and less. It is incredible," said Cotton.

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CIVIL SERVICE SALARY PLAN

‘VARSITY MEN’ IN THE CIVIL SERVICE

Answers To Mr. Lo's Questions

Figures showing the number of Hong Kong University graduates employed by the Government were given at the Legislative Council meeting yesterday in answer to questions by Mr. M. K. Lo.

The Colonial Secretary (Mr. North) stated that details of the employment and salaries were:—
Public Works Department:—One assistant engineer (\$3,800-\$5,600) and two apprentice engineers (\$1,800).

Medical Department:—One health officer (\$5,700-\$8,400), 13 medical officers (\$4,500-\$7,500), six house surgeons etc. (\$2,400).

Education Department:—One headmaster (\$2,500-\$2,950), 52 University trained masters (\$1,800-\$6,000), four University trained mistresses (\$1,320-\$3,000).

Railway Department:—One assistant engineer (\$4,000-\$6,000).

Mr. North stated that no representations had been made to Government by the University authorities or other bodies as to the salaries which graduates of the University expected to receive from the Government.

STATEMENT WITHDRAWN

In answer to Mr. Lo's question "What are the facts and materials on which the statement that 'University trained Chinese expect salaries equal to those drawn by European officers' is based?" Mr. North replied:—
"The statement has since been reviewed and found to be an undue generalisation. His Excellency therefore authorises me very gladly in view of his motion at the last session to announce its withdrawal."

DONATIONS

S.J.A.A. And B.

The Director of Ambulance has the honour to acknowledge with grateful appreciation and thanks the following donations:—

Mrs. K. Oram	5.00
Mr. Tang Laan (Ha Tsuen)	5.00
Mr. Tang Siu (Ha Tsuen)	2.00
Mr. Tang Poon Yu (Ha Tsuen)	2.00
Miss Wong Yee Kwu (Ha Tsuen)	1.00

HOW NEW DUTIES WILL AID REVENUE

An estimate that the recently imposed new liquor duties would bring in about \$100,000 extra revenue and that the new tobacco duties would yield an additional \$7,000, was given by the Colonial Treasurer (Mr. Taylor) in the Legislative Council yesterday.

Mr. Taylor said the new duties came into force on April 1. A communique was issued to the press the same day and it was not now necessary for him to repeat it, except to say that the "conventional dollar" of 1s. 8d. as the basis for computation of duty had been abolished and it was hoped that trade interests would welcome the elimination of a variable factor in its assessment.

"This much is certain," said Mr. Taylor, "that in the computation of drawbacks not only the public but the revenue department concerned will appreciate the reversion to a straight dollar tariff."

"The question of extra revenue to be expected from the new liquor duties is one that cannot be answered as consumption is such a variable factor. Assuming as a basic figure the amount of duty paid during the first quarter, that is on a total gallonage of 299,392, the increase per quarter would amount to \$24,781 or, say, \$100,000 for a full year."

"There have been, however, very heavy withdrawals of European liquors during the first quarter, and it is not probable that such a figure will be realized this year."

Referring to the tobacco duties, Mr. Taylor said:—
"Since His Excellency's order was made it has been found necessary to make a small amendment to the tobacco duties as at present fixed. The rate for Chinese prepared tobacco is too low at the present

NEW PROPOSALS RECEIVED FROM ENGLAND

Governor's Announcement At Council Meeting

VICTORIA HOSPITAL MAY CLOSE

A definite salary scheme for the Hong Kong Government Service had been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, announced the Governor (Sir Andrew Caldecott) in the Legislative Council debate on the Civil Service Levy Bill yesterday.

Already in operation in the African colonies, this scheme was receiving close study by the Government, he said.

For this reason, he said, he felt that the appointment of a Commission, as suggested by Sir Henry Pollock and Mr. M. K. Lo, would be an encroachment on the functions of Executive Council.

In a detailed answer to the criticisms and suggestions by unofficial members, the Governor stated that the closing of the Victoria Hospital was being considered simultaneously with the opening of the Queen Mary Hospital.

The second reading of the Bill was passed unanimously.

NEW SCALE BEING CONSIDERED

After the Attorney General had moved the second reading of the Bill, Sir Henry Pollock said:—

Your Excellency—I concur in the terms of this Bill which has become necessary owing to an unfortunate series of events which have culminated in an unbalanced Budget for 1936.

It should be borne in mind that, in many commercial firms, heavy cuts in salaries, and in many cases termination of employment altogether, have been the order of the day during the past five financially difficult years.

In addition to the measures of economy which were suggested at the last Meeting of this Council, the Unofficial Members suggest for Your Excellency's consideration that further substantial economies might be effected:—

(1) By reducing the salaries of some Posts in the Service upon new appointments to those Posts being made, and by reducing the number of Officers and of sterling-paid Clerks in some Departments, and by substituting dollar employees for sterling-paid employees.

(2) By reducing the rent-allowance privileges of Government Servants and also by increasing the percentage of salary chargeable in respect of housing accommodation, in cases where such accommodation is provided.

(3) By a thorough investigation into acting, leave-pay, conveyance and other allowances made to Government Servants.

MEDICAL ATTENTION

(4) By inaugurating a system of medical attendance on Government Servants by private practitioners, upon a contract basis, instead of by Government Doctors; thus reducing the number of Government Doctors required and effecting a saving on their salaries, allowances, leave-pay, passages and pensions. In this connection our contention is that much of the work now done by Government Doctors could equally well be performed by private practitioners attending at the Government Hospitals and by their attending on Government Servants in their own homes. Thus a great saving in public expenditure could be effected. We regard this suggestion (4) as being of pressing importance, having regard to the necessity, next year, of providing for the staffing of the new Queen Mary Hospital.

Accordingly we suggest that the Government do now appoint a small Commission or Committee, upon which there should be Unofficial representation, to enquire into and report on the matters included in the above paragraphs (1) to (4).

In conclusion we desire to add that we regard the present depression as being of a temporary nature. In Great Britain and elsewhere there are signs of reviving trade and prosperity, which must ensure to the benefit of this Colony.

In the past Hong Kong has weathered many serious economic storms, and she will win through now as she has won through so often in times gone by.

HON. MR. M. K. LO

Your Excellency—I beg leave to make a few observations on the Bill which is now before this Council.

I would like to commence by recording my personal sense of satisfaction that Government has decided to seek legislative sanction for its proposals embodied in the Bill, as this procedure affords a convenient opportunity of expressing our views on a matter which involves important questions of principle.

It is not, I know, sought to justify the levy on the ground that the salaries of the whole staff are too high to the extent of the percentages by which it is sought to have them reduced; if this were so, the general reduction should not be a merely temporary arrangement; it should be made permanent. According to the statement of the Hon. the Attorney General in introducing the Bill before this Council, the levy is being invoked in order to reduce the expenditure side of the Budget, and so to balance the Budget for 1936.

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VAGARIES OF EXCHANGE

In times of violent fluctuations in the cost of living caused by the vagaries of Exchange or other factors, periodic adjustments of salaries in relation to such disturbing factors may be reasonable and necessary. For instance, I believe I am right in saying that in England the basic pre-war salary rates are adjusted every six months if the price index moves as much as five points up or down.

But I consider that it would be a dangerous disturbance of the fundamental principle of security on which the Civil Service is based to subject Civil servants' salaries to variations depending on the income and expenditure of the Colonial Exchequer, unaccompanied by circumstances affecting the financial stability of the Colony. I have no doubt that, confronted with such circumstances, and taken into the confidence of the Government, the Civil servants would readily and voluntarily respond to any reasonable appeal to make sacrifices in the interests of the Colony.

Civil servants cannot, in my view, be regarded in the same light as employees of a commercial firm. The Civil Service is not a concern making a profit measurable in money, or dependent upon the satisfaction of consumers in a competitive market. It is not doing work which can be measured exactly in terms of any similar work outside. It can offer none of the "glistening prizes" which at least were formerly obtainable in the industrial or commercial world. Its chief attraction lies in its being a "sheltered service," with a guaranteed income, an assured permanence in employment unaffected by the varying ups-and-downs or commercial prosperity and depression. Its history, its prestige, and, indeed, its very existence rest on the sure foundation of security. This foundation should not therefore be lightly shaken.

SACRIFICES FOR COMMON WEAL

I am aware that England could be cited as a precedent for calling upon the Civil Service to make sacrifices for the common weal, but the circumstances which existed in England at the time were different to those obtaining in the Colony. England had no surplus balance; on the contrary, she had a colossal National Debt; the whole credit of England; and therefore the British Empire, was at stake, and whatever steps had to be taken to save the situation were justified by the paramount consideration of preserving the existence of the State.

In my submission, therefore, the proposed levy, merely as a temporary measure to balance our Budget, is, under existing circumstances, hardly justified. On the other hand, I do consider that some permanent reduction in the salary bill which the Colony is now called upon to bear is essential.

STILL TOO LARGE

Only recently I had occasion to urge that our Civil Service was too large and that in many instances the salaries were too high, and I see no reason to recede from this position. And I cannot resist the conclusion that the time has come when the whole question of Civil Service Salaries, with its complicated and sometimes individual concessions and privileges, such as the provision of free quarters, medical attendance, fuel allowance, etc., should be reviewed by another Commission. In this way, it may be possible that the prevailing Government salaries may be brought into a closer approximation to prevailing wages paid by the better private employers for comparable work judged by the above standard, and having regard to the Colony's prosperity, has at least the certain characteristics that large proceeds from undeveloped land sales can no longer be relied upon, and that the hitherto fabulous income from sale of opium must surely and inevitably reach a vanishing point. I have no doubt, and I repeat, that the present salaries are in many instances excessive. And, on the assumption that this view is sound, I submit that a temporary levy is not a solution to the salary question.

I suggest that pending a revision—and irrespective of whether a revision takes place or not—there should be a permanent reduction of a small percentage—say five per cent—on all salaries above the suggested minimum under the levy scheme. Based on Exchange at 1/8d, the total salaries as set out in the 1936 Estimates amount to

"PUBLIC FRIEND"

Governor's Praise Of Sir William Shenton

AT COUNCIL MEETING

A sterling tribute to the public work performed in Hong Kong by Sir William Shenton, a former member of the Legislative Council, was paid by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, at yesterday's meeting of the Council. Shortly after Council met His Excellency said:—

Since our last session the Colony has lost one of its most familiar and important public figures and this Council one of its ablest and most indefatigable members.

There is no need for me to rehearse to-day a full statement of Sir William Shenton's service to Hong Kong; it would indeed take too long, and the many reported speeches of those who entertained him prior to his departure have provided a verbal monument, which I could not hope to excel, of his public service and of the universal esteem and wide affection in which he was held.

I do, however, desire to pay here in this Chamber, where we miss him so greatly this afternoon, a just tribute of official gratitude for all that he has done for the Administration as a member of both Councils.

I personally have enjoyed his advice and co-operation for lamentably too short a time, but not so short that I cannot appreciate and deplore the full magnitude of the loss which we have sustained in his departure.

He was a man of whom to ask was to receive, if your demand was for public service; indeed, if he felt that his help was needed, he did not wait to be asked. We have lost in fact that great and rare thing, a public friend.

I ask your permission, gentlemen, to direct the Clerk of Council to send to Sir William Shenton a copy of these proceedings and an expression of our earnest wishes for the health and happiness of himself and his family in their deeply regretted retirement from this Colony.

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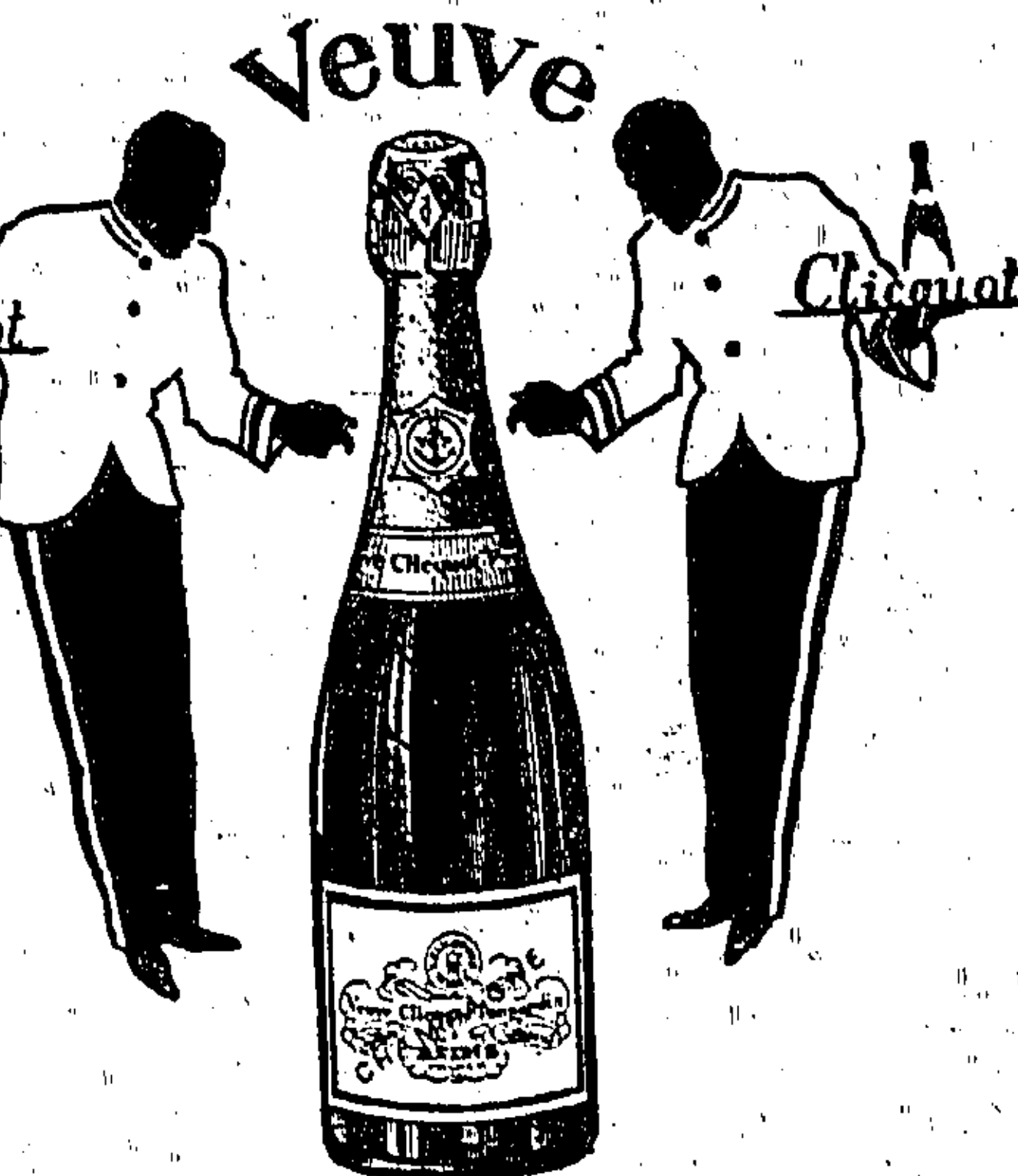
Sir Andrews remarks were endorsed by the senior Unofficial member, Sir Henry Pollock, who said:—"I am quite sure that all my unofficial colleagues on the Council will desire to be associated with the remarks made by you regarding Sir William Shenton."

Mr. S. W. Tso said:—"As senior Chinese member of the Council I have much pleasure in associating myself with the expressions of appreciation of the services rendered by Sir William Shenton to the Colony."

too large and that in many instances the salaries were too high, and I see no reason to recede from this position. And I cannot resist the conclusion that the time has come when the whole question of Civil Service Salaries, with its complicated and sometimes individual concessions and privileges, such as the provision of free quarters, medical attendance, fuel allowance, etc., should be reviewed by another Commission. In this way, it may be possible that the prevailing Government salaries may be brought into a closer approximation to prevailing wages paid by the better private employers for comparable work judged by the above standard, and having regard to the Colony's prosperity, has at least the certain characteristics that large proceeds from undeveloped land sales can no longer be relied upon, and that the hitherto fabulous income from sale of opium must surely and inevitably reach a vanishing point. I have no doubt, and I repeat, that the present salaries are in many instances excessive. And, on the assumption that this view is sound, I submit that a temporary levy is not a solution to the salary question.

I suggest that pending a revision—and irrespective of whether a revision takes place or not—there should be a permanent reduction of a small percentage—say five per cent—on all salaries above the suggested minimum under the levy scheme. Based on Exchange at 1/8d, the total salaries as set out in the 1936 Estimates amount to

some eleven and a half million dollars. I gather that if the average rate of the dollar for 1936 works out at 1/3d, there will be an increase in the cost of the Colony's sterling commitments (including Sterling salaries), of three million dollars. I do not know how much of this increase is attributable to salaries alone. But for the purpose of my argument I assume that the increase attributable to salaries comes to one and a half million dollars. The total figure for salaries expressed in dollars, and based at Exchange of 1/3d, therefore, comes to about thirteen million dollars. Five per cent on this sum comes to \$650,000.



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Bills Read At The Council Meeting

The following bills were read at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council:—

FIRST READING

A Bill to amend the Buildings Ordinance, 1935.

A Bill to enable effect to be given to an international convention for the suppression of counterfeiting currency.

A Bill to amend the Midwives Ordinance, 1910.

A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the establishment of asylums for the detention, custody and care of persons of unsound mind and others.

SECOND READING

A Bill to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1932.

A Bill to amend the Stonecutters Island Ordinance, 1889.

A Bill to amend further the Companies Ordinance, 1932.

A Bill to regulate the deportation of undesirable British subjects.

A Bill to make provision for a levy on the salaries of public officers in the Hong Kong Government Service.

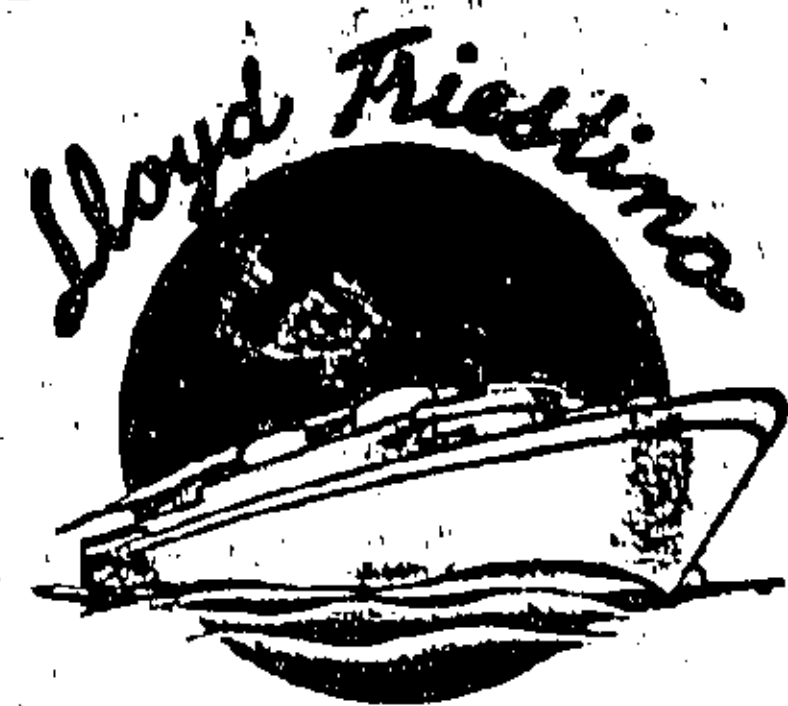
THIRD READING

A Bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to telecommunication.

happily ended, not with a deficit of \$1,000,000, but with a credit balance of nearly \$140,000, (the exact figure being \$138,813.77), the absence of any contribution from salary cuts would not upset the financial status quo as envisaged by the author of the levy proposals.

My proposal has, at least, the merit of being an attempt, however feeble, to deal squarely with this problem, and from a point of view of the public it. As this attraction, namely, that during the temporary period of the Government's proposed levy, whatever it may be—one, two or even three years—the surplus could be repaid to, equally as a temporary measure, for the purpose of making up the difference between the amount which the Government levy would have produced, and that saved under my scheme, and thereafter the annual five per cent reduction could be earmarked for repaying and building up the surplus.

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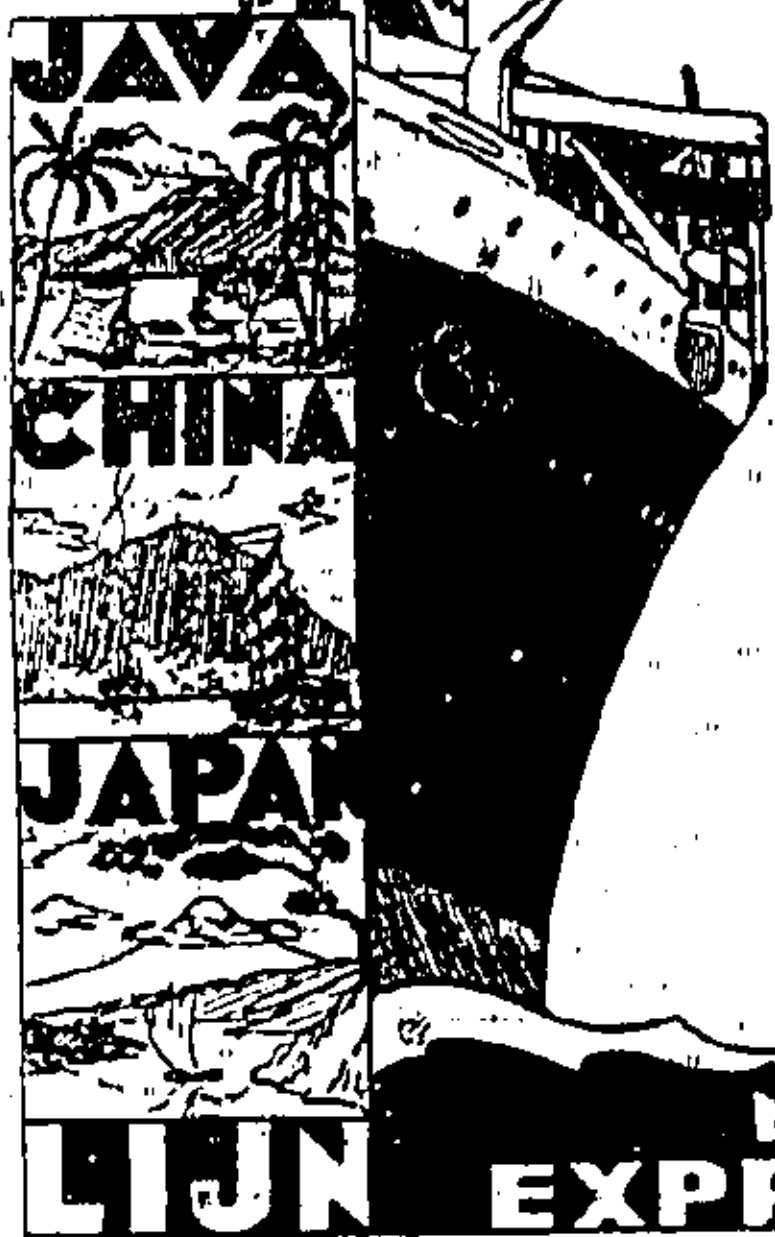
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NORTHWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO COAST PORTS AND JAPAN

Haining, Douglas, April 24.	On 24th Apr. 5 p.m.
Kiangchow, B. & S., April 25.	On 24th Apr. 3 p.m.
Hai Lee, Thoresen's, April 25.	On 24th Apr. 6 a.m.
Hong Kong Maru, O.S.K., April 25.	On 24th Apr. 3 p.m.
Anhui, B. & S., April 27.	On 26th Apr. 3 p.m.
Seistan, Douglas, April 28.	On 28th Apr. 3 p.m.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apar), May 2.	On 29th Apr. Noon
Taiyuan, B. & S., April 29.	On 29th Apr. 5 p.m.
Tibadack, J.C.J. Line, April 29.	On 29th Apr. 3 p.m.
Santha, B.I. (Apar), April 30.	On 30th Apr. 3 p.m.
Haiyang, Douglas, May 1.	On 1st May 3 p.m.
Kwangtung, B. & S., May 2.	On 2nd May 5 p.m.
Kwangtung, B. & S., May 2.	On 2nd May 8 a.m.
Kalgan, B. & S., May 3.	On 3rd May 3 p.m.
Muinam, B. & S., May 3.	On 3rd May 11 a.m.
Kiangchow, B. & S., May 3.	On 4th May 3 p.m.
Haining, Douglas, April 24.	On 11th May 3 p.m.
Yunnan, B. & S., April 24.	On 12th May 3 p.m.
Changtu, B. & S., April 25.	On 12th May 3 p.m.
Fooshing, Jardine's, May 1.	On 22nd May 3 p.m.
Hupoh, B. & S., May 1.	On 22nd May 3 p.m.
Leesang, Jardine's, May 1.	On 22nd May 3 p.m.

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Tsingtao.

Hopang, Jardine's, April 24.
Yunnan, B. & S., April 24.
Sandviken, Jardine's, April 25.
Sarpedon, B. & S., April 26.
Chengtu, B. & S., April 29.
Fooking, Jardine's, May 1.
Hwasang, Jardine's, May 1.
Isar, Melchers, May 2.
Yunnan, B. & S., April 24.

EASTWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA.

Tai Yang, Dodwell's, April 23.	On 23rd Apr. 3 p.m.
Ward, States Co., May 4.	On 4th May 3 p.m.
Niel Maersk, Jensen's, May 12.	On 12th May 3 p.m.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.	On 13th May 3 p.m.
Anna Maersk, Jensen's, May 21.	On 21st May 3 p.m.

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Karlsberg.

Bromerhaven, Melchers, May 11.
Makassar.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, April 26.
Tibadack, J.C.J. Line, May 12.
Manila.
Burgeland, Jensen's, April 24.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., April 24.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 25.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar's, April 25.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar's, April 25.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, April 26.
Neumark, Jensen's, May 1.
Nollora, E. & A. S.S. Co., May 2.
Neumark, Jensen's, May 2.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, May 2.
Potsdam, Melchers, May 2.
Shantung, Gilman's, May 2.
Anna Maersk, Jensen's, May 7.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., May 7.
Pres. Coolidge, Dollar's, May 7.
Bongio, Loxley's, May 9.
Gen. Pershing, States Co., May 9.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar's, May 9.
Java, E.A. Co., May 11.
Tibadack, J.C.J. Line, May 12.
Kaiserland, Jensen's, May 16.
Pres. Jackson, A.M. Line, May 16.
Astoria, Jensen's, May 21.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., May 21.
Gneisenau, Melchers, May 22.
Silverleaf, Furness, May 24.
Gen. Sherman, States Co., May 30.

Well-Hal-Well.

Yunnan, B. & S., April 24.

Balboa.

Tai Yang, Dodwell's, April 23.
Ward, States Co., May 4.
Niel Maersk, Jensen's, May 12.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Anna Maersk, Jensen's, May 21.

Baltimore.

Ward, States Co., May 4.
Niel Maersk, Jensen's, May 12.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Anna Maersk, Jensen's, May 21.

Boston and New York.

Tai Yang, Dodwell's, April 23.
Ward, States Co., May 4.
Niel Maersk, Jensen's, May 12.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Anna Maersk, Jensen's, May 21.

Cristobal.

Tai Yang, Dodwell's, April 23.
Ward, States Co., May 4.
Niel Maersk, Jensen's, May 12.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Anna Maersk, Jensen's, May 21.

Havana.

Ward, States Co., May 4.
Niel Maersk, Jensen's, May 12.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Anna Maersk, Jensen's, May 21.

Honolulu.

Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., May 1.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., May 3.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar's, May 6.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Pres. Coolidge, Dollar's, May 16.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., May 29.

Los Angeles.

Tai Yang, Dodwell's, April 23.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, April 27.
Noshiro Maru, N.Y.K., May 3.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., May 6.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar's, May 6.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Pres. Coolidge, Dollar's, May 16.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., May 29.

Manila.

Tai Yang, Dodwell's, April 23.
Ward, States Co., May 4.
Niel Maersk, Jensen's, May 12.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Anna Maersk, Jensen's, May 21.

Panama.

Tai Yang, Dodwell's, April 23.
Ward, States Co., May 4.
Niel Maersk, Jensen's, May 12.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Anna Maersk, Jensen's, May 21.

Philadelphia.

Ward, States Co., May 4.
Niel Maersk, Jensen's, May 12.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Anna Maersk, Jensen's, May 21.

Portland and Puget Sound.

General Lee, States Co., April 25.
General Pershing, States Co., May 18.

San Francisco.

Tai Yang, Dodwell's, April 23.
General Lee, States Co., April 25.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, April 27.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., May 3.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar's, May 6.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.
Pres. Coolidge, Dollar's, May 16.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., May 29.

Seattle.

Talthybius, B. & S., April 23.
Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, April 24.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, May 2.
Pres. Jackson, A.M. Line, May 2.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.

South America (W.C.).

Talthybius, B. & S., April 23.
Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, April 24.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, May 2.
Pres. Jackson, A.M. Line, May 2.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.

Vancouver, B.C.

Talthybius, B. & S., April 23.
Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, April 24.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, May 2.
Pres. Jackson, A.M. Line, May 2.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.

Victoria, B.C.

Talthybius, B. & S., April 23.
Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, April 24.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, May 2.
Pres. Jackson, A.M. Line, May 2.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., May 13.

WESTWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO EUROPE, AFRICA, ETC.

Aden.

Bangalore, P. & O., April 25.
Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., April 24.
Thalatta, Thoresen's, April 30.
Carthage, P. & O., May 2.
Aeneas, B. & S., May 5.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 9.
Rajputana, P. & O., May 16.
Chenonceau, Messageries, May 19.
Gneisenau, Melchers, May 22.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, May 23.

Alexandria.

Pres. Wilson, Dollar's, April 25.
Kashii Maru, N.Y.K., May 3.
Aramis, Messageries, May 5.
Chenonceau, Messageries, May 19.

Genoa.

Burgeland, Jensen's, April 24.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar's, April 25.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, April 26.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar's, May 9.
Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 15.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, May 23.

Gibraltar.

Terukuni Maru, N.Y.K., April 24.
Carthage, P. & O., May 2.
Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., May 9.
Rajputana, P. & O., May 16.

Glasgow.

Aeneas, B. & S., May 5.
City of Singapore, Bank Line, May 8.

Gothenburg.

Thalatta, Thoresen's, April 30.
Shantung, Gilman's, May 2.

Hamburg.

Silverleaf, Furness, May 24.

Hankow.

Burgeland, Jensen's, April 24.
Bangalore, P. & O., April 25.
Thalatta, Thoresen's, April 30.
Neumark, Jensen's, May 1.
Potsdam, Melchers, May 2.
Shantung, Gilman's, May 2.
Kashii Maru, N.Y.K., May 3.
City of Singapore, Bank Line, May 8.
Bangio, Loxley's, May 9.
Gastarkerk, J.C.J. Line, May 10.
Gneisenau, Melchers, May 22.

Hankow.

Burgeland, Jensen's, April 24.
Bangalore, P. & O., April 25.
Thalatta, Thoresen's, April 30.
Neumark, Jensen's, May 1.
Potsdam, Melchers, May 2.
Shantung, Gilman's, May 2.
Kashii Maru, N.Y.K., May 3.
City of Singapore, Bank Line, May 8.
Bangio, Loxley's, May 9.
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Gneisenau, Melchers, May 22.

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TSINGTAO via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SANDVIKEN" "KWAISANG"	Sun., 28th Apr. at 2 p.m. Sun., 3rd May, at Noon
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"DAVIKEN" "LEESANG"	Wed., 29th Apr. at Noon Sun., 3rd May, at 10 a.m.
AMOI, KOBE & OSAKA	"HOSANG"	Sun., 3rd May, at 9 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"YUENSANG" "SUISANG"	Tues., 29th Apr. at 3.30 p.m. Wed., 3rd May, at 11 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG" "HINSANG"	Satur., 28th Apr. at 11 a.m. Fri., 3rd May, at 11 a.m.
TIENTSIN via SWATOW	"HOPSANG"	Fri., 24th Apr. at Noon
TIENTSIN via SWATOW FOOCHOW & CHEFOO	"FOOSRING"	Fri., 1st May, at Noon
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E/Canada	May 29	May 31	June 3	June 5	June 7	June 17	June 17
E/Russia	June 12	June 14	June 16	June 18	June 20	June 29	June 29
E/Japan	June 26	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 5	July 14	July 14
E/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18	July 27	July 27
E/Canada	July 24	July 26	July 29	July 31	Aug. 1	Aug. 12	Aug. 12
E/Russia	Aug. 7	Aug. 9	Aug. 11	Aug. 13	Aug. 15	Aug. 24	Aug. 24
E/Japan	Aug. 21	Aug. 23	Aug. 26	Aug. 28	Sept. 2	Sept. 8	Sept. 8
E/Asia	Sept. 4	Sept. 6	Sept. 8	Sept. 10	Sept. 12	Sept. 21	Sept. 21
E/Canada	Sept. 18	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Sept. 25	Oct. 3	Oct. 7	Oct. 7

TO MANILA

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EMPRESS OF ASIA ... May 7th.
EMPRESS OF CANADA ... May 22nd.

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HARUNA MARU ... Saturday, 23rd May

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KAMO MARU (Call Saigon) Saturday, 25th Apr.
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KITANO MARU Saturday, 23rd May

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TERUKUNI MARU Thursday, 30th Apr.
YASUHIMA MARU Thursday, 7th May

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KASHIMA MARU Saturday, 9th May
YASUKUNI MARU Wednesday, 20th May

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ARRIVALS

22ND APRIL, 1936.

Hague Maru, Japanese steamer, 3,452 tons, Capt. T. Urayama, from Nagasaki, Kowloon Wharf.—O. S. K.

Hintang, Danish steamer, 1,725 tons, Captain Ravnonnes, from Bangkok, A. P. C. Wharf.—East Asiatic & Co.

Hong Kong Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,559 tons, Captain H. Misaka, from Swatow, O. S. K. Wharf.—O. S. K.

Roseville, Norwegian steamer, 3,507 tons, Captain E. Balstad, from Shanghai, Stonecutters.—Bank Line.

Hai Ching, British steamer, 1,322 tons, Captain W. B. Patey, from Canton, Yaumati.—Douglas & Co.

Hai Chen, Chinese steamer, 2,060 tons, Captain H. Y. Hughes, from Canton, China Merchant Steam Navigation's Wharf.—C. M. S. N. & Co.

Hai Ning, British steamer, 840 tons, Captain E. Walker, from Swatow, Douglas Wharf.—Douglas & Co.

Tsinan, British steamer, 2,100 tons, Captain S. M. Barling, from Canton, buoy No. B14.—Butterfield and Swire.

Kaying, British steamer, 1,572 tons, Captain D. D. Richards, from Swatow, buoy No. B21.—B. & S.

Lisbon Maru, Japanese steamer, 4,308 tons, Captain C. Ishida, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N. Y. K.

Tai Yang, Norwegian steamer, 3,903 tons, Captain O. Jorgensen, from Manila, buoy No. A3.—Dodwell & Co.

21ST APRIL, 1936.

Marly, Norwegian steamer, 657 tons, Captain S. Fredriksen, from Bangkok, buoy No. B11.—K. Larsen & Co.

Menestheus, British steamer, 4,646 tons, Captain Nivison, from Shanghai, buoy No. A1.—B. & S.

CLEARANCES

22ND APRIL, 1936.

Liangchow for Swatow
Taka Maru for Takao
Kiangchow for Canton
Tatsuta Maru for Shanghai
Selsatan for Swatow
Havana Maru for Kobe
Norviken for Swatow
Tung Cheng for Bangkok
Bintang for Vancouver
Tsinan for Amoy

Hai Chen for Swatow
Hai Ching for Hoihow
Colorado Springs for Manila
Bright Comet for Keelung
Menestheus for Singapore
Lisbon Maru for Dairen
Kaying for Canton

NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

Freight And Asiatic Passengers Returns

(BY LONGSHOREMAN)

The freight returns received from the Harbour Office during the 24 hours ended at 9.00 a.m. yesterday showed a moderate tonnage movement.

The total tonnage of general cargo carried by vessels to the Colony was 6,173 tons, with British steamers carrying 3,188 tons.

Through cargo for ports beyond the Colony amounted to 14,547 tons, of which 5,296 tons were carried by British steamers.

Asiatic deck passengers entering into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9.00 a.m. yesterday were 603, of which 592 were from British steamers.

There were altogether 13 arrivals, of which seven were of British registry, the remainder being of other nationalities, while of the 17 departures, eight were British ships, the rest being of other different countries. Particulars as follows:—

Nationality	Ships	Tonnage
British	7	8,494
French	1	1,264
Norwegian	2	2,538
Japanese	2	8,131
Chinese	1	300
Total	13	20,725

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

The P. & O.'s s.s. "Bangalore" left Shanghai for this port on the 21st instant at 4 p.m., and is due here to-morrow at about 6 a.m.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on the 18th April (Saturday), p.m. She is due at Hong Kong on the 7th May (Thursday), morning and due to leave for Manila on the same day, evening.

The Butterfield and Swire's s.s. "Sarpedon" will arrive from Singapore on 25th April, 1936, at 8.00 a.m.

IN WIRELESS TOUCH

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong Radio:—

Agra, La Plata Maru, President Hayes, General Sherman, President Jefferson, Empress of Russia, Barents, Potsdam, Katori Maru, Terukuni Maru, President Cleveland, Goslar, Bertram Rickmers, Tilsaroea, Tai Yang, Changte, Agapenor, Hong Kong Maru, Shantung, Tinhow, Helenus, Shirala, Canton, Marechal Joffre and Tatsuta Maru.

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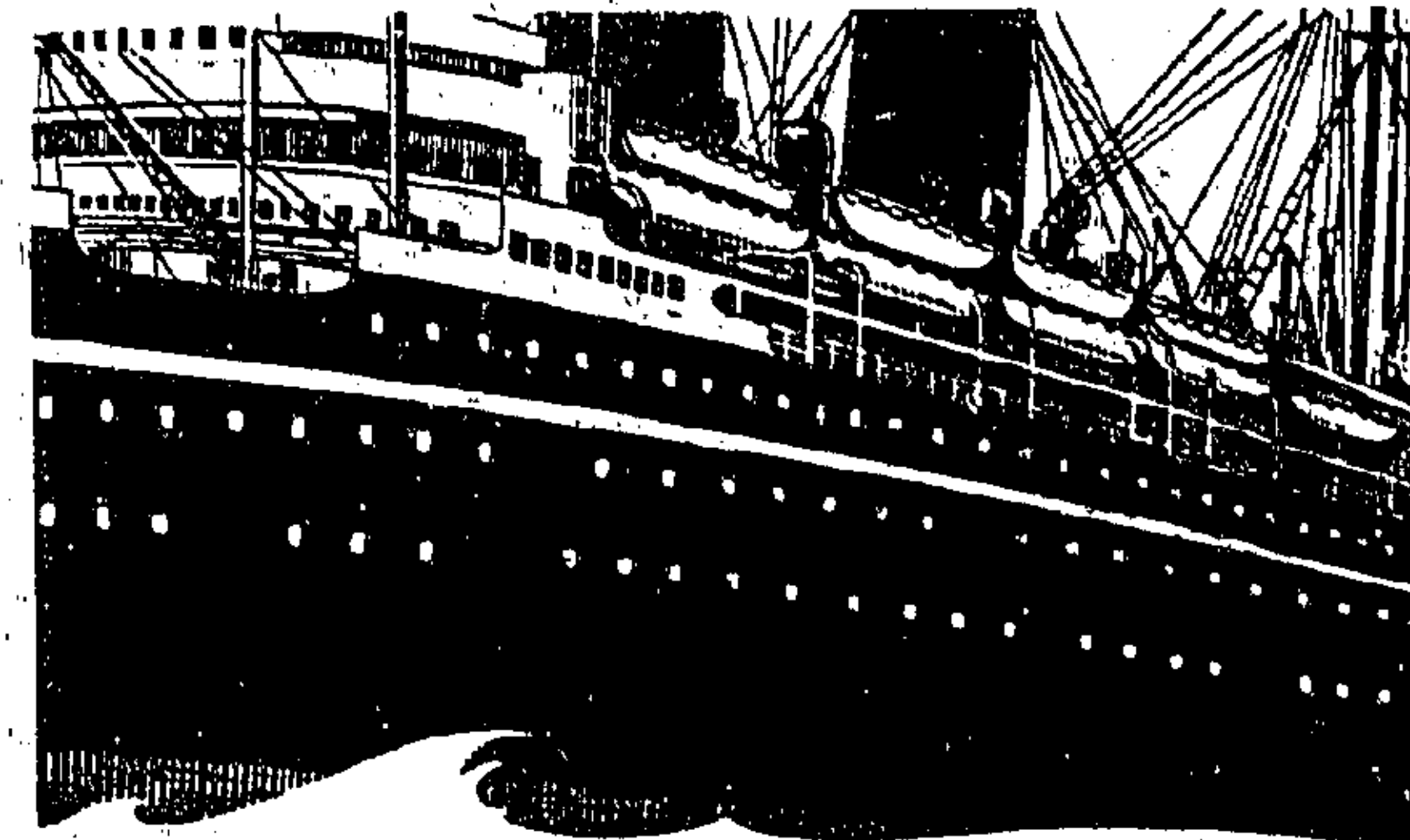
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